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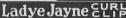
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THE PRINCESS PRISCILLA BIBESCO

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A very recent and extremely attractive portrait of the only daughter of Prince and Princess Antoine Bibesco who, as all the world knows, is a granddaughter of Lady Oxford and Asquith and of the first Earl, the famous statesman who died in 1928. Princess Priscilla Bibesco was only born in 1920, and has inherited the family good looks and brilliance. Prince Antoine Bibesco, at one time Roumanian Minister to Spain during the period which was not as stormy as is the present one, is a playwright of distinction

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IN THE ROYAL BOX AT THE ROYAL MEETING ON GOLD VASE DAY

Standing behind the King and Queen in this happy snapshot is His Majesty's racing manager, Captain Charles Moore, and on the left can be seen the Princess Royal and the Earl of Harewood, the Duke and Duchess of Gloucester and the Duchess of Kent. More people than ever before went to Ascot this year and they were all hoping to shout home a Royal winner during the week but, alas, this was not to be, Fairey, Jubilee and Fairlead all running disappointingly. Captain Moore, who succeeded the late General Tomkinson as manager of the Royal racing stable, used to own and breed a lot of horses in Ireland and was a Steward of the Irish Turf Club when he lived at Mooresfort in Tipperary. He is a member of the Jockey Club

Y feet are still swollen from standing, walking and dancing (till dawn) in Ascot Week! Really, this "Coronation" Season is testing the

staying powers of our hardiest débutantes, not to mention their escorts, both old and young.

During Ascot Week country hostesses were busy, and there were nightly parties, varying from the cocktails hospitably dispensed by Mrs. James Corrigan (by the way, she is not planning a yachting trip up the Dalmatian coast this summer) to a party given by the Rex Bensons, and Lady Cayzer's country dance for her daughter, Molly.

Lady Ralli, house-party hostess at Beaurepaire Park, near Basingstoke, took her guests to this dance. She has been having an anxious time lately. Her daughter, Diana, has been laid up with teeth trouble, and her son Godfrey, who is to marry Miss Nora Foreman on the 24th, has been operated on for appendicitis.

As for the best country dance of the Season, it was really "a top-notcher," and was given by the "Ronnie" Trees at Ditchley Park, near Oxford. It was an all-night party preceding the departure of the hostess for New York at 7 o'clock in the morning. There hasn't been a party like it in Oxfordshire since the last one given by the late Duke of Marlborough at Blenheim.

Usually the English are hopelessly slack about dressing up, however easy it may be, but on this occasion feminine guests did conform to the request to wear red and white. The Duchess of Marlborough graced the gather-

PANORAMA



LADY DIANA COOPER

Bertram Park

A new portrait of an outstandingly decorative personality who, as the wife of the new First Lord of the Admiralty, is now entertaining at Admiralty House. Mr. Duff Cooper's appointment as ruler of the King's Navee instead of War Minister dates from the end of May when the Cabinet shuffle sent his predecessor, Sir Samuel Hoare, to the Home Office. Lady Diana Cooper is the Duke of Rutland's sister. She has an eight year old son

ing, and so did the Duchess of Sutherland and the Duchess of Westminster, always, I think, one of the handsomest of many good-looking Duchesses, and

hostesses for miles around brought large house and dinner parties.

Oliver Messel, who designed the perfect rococo white ballroom, wore white serge evening clothes to be in keeping.

Fireworks and red and white balloons were some of the "turns" of the evening, while the flower decorations all over the floodlit house, arranged by Mrs. Spry, were breath-taking. A lovely, thrilling party, and one I wouldn't have missed for worlds.

It is usually hard to decide in advance what is going to be a tiara night and what is not, but with the word "decorations" discreetly printed on the invitations there was no doubt about it at the huge ball which Sir Abe and Lady Bailey gave for their daughter Ann. With at least a dozen English Royalties present, most of whom had dined with their hostess beforehand, it was, I think, quite the "grandest" débutante dance that has been given so far, and everyone arrived decked out in their best. 38, Bryanston Square not only boasts a magnificent collection of pictures, but an unusually long ballroom, with a spacious landing outside it where a crowd of young girls gathered at the beginning of each dance, chattering excitedly like magpies.

The tall mirrors throughout the house were wreathed in auratum lilies, with their pungent, clinging smell, and red

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roses laid in narrow tin troughs outlined the marble console tables beneath.

The Duchess of Gloucester, who was the chief guest at dinner, danced frequently, and wore her tiara, necklace, earrings and bracelets of turquoises and diamonds. The Duke of Gloucester came on from an official dinner, but Prince and Princess Arthur of Connaught, Princess Alice, in a simply cut dress of nattier blue, and Lady Patricia Ramsay all dined with the Baileys. The Duke and Duchess of Kent came on from their own dinner party, the Duchess gay and smiling in iceblue encrusted with crystals and wearing a pearl and diamond tiara. With her came Lady Brecknock, who wore her enamel badge in the form of the letter M, suspended from a ribbon, showing that she is lady-in-waiting to the Duchess.

I heard several people asking why the Royal ladies wore no orders or decorations, although their husbands did so, from which it would appear that it is not generally known that the

ladies of the Royal Family never wear their Orders in a private house unless the King and Queen are present.

Lady Bailey wore a high diamond tiara that narrowed at the sides into an all-round bandeau, fitting like a hat, but I noticed she had narrow ribbons across the top of her head to take off some of the weight. Her unusual dress of dull black crêpe with coral trimmings had a tiered skirt.

It would be easier to say who was absent than to men tion those who were there, but in one journey down the wide staircase I met Lady Tweeddale, Mrs. Richard Bethell and Lady Bessborough, all wearing impressive tiaras, Lord and Lady Londonderry, Lady Blanche Douglas, the Netherlands Minister and his tall American wife,



SIR FRANK MITCHELL

Who has been assistant private secretary to the King since 1931, and was personally invested a K.C.V.O by His Majesty last week. Sir Frank Mitchell has also been secretary to the Most Noble Order of the Garter for some years, but he relinquished this office after the recent Knights of the Garter service in St. George's Chapel, at which he was present

Lady Carisbrooke, who remained to the very end, and gave a dinner at the Dorchester beforehand for her daughter, also Lady Oxford and Asquith, her daughter, Princess Bibesco, and her granddaughter, Princess Priscilla Bibesco, thus making three generations.

With characteristic thoughtfulness Lady Bailey had a free coffee stall set up in the Square outside for

the chauffeurs-an idea that might well be copied by other party-givers who are apt to forget the men waiting for hours outside in all weathers.

Whether mothers should dance or not was hotly debated at a dinner party a few nights ago at which opinions seemed to be equally divided, but everyone agreed that some sort of rota system ought to be adopted whereby mothers (or chaperones) need not sit up night after night till the dawn breaks. About 2 a.m. is zero hour, when the back of the gilt chair digs viciously into one's spine, and the band chooses that particular moment to double the length of each dance. Going down to supper two



THE MARCHIONESS OF MILFORD HAVEN

Hurrying to look at the horses on Hunt Cup Day, when most wearers of summery frocks wisely had a coat handy. Lady Milford Haven was also at Ascot on the Thursday, when her sister, Lady Zia Wernher, had the enormous satisfaction of winning the Gold Cup with Precipitation

or three times in the evening is not necessarily a sign either of greed or of night starvation, but more often an excuse to stretch stiff and weary limbs. Hence the startled expression on any mother's face that quickly deepens into

beatific gratitude when anyone offers to take her down.

I feel that someone should start a central bureau where a system of "If I sit up for your girl on the 14th and 16th, will you bring mine home with the milk, or thereabouts, on the 15th and 17th? " could be properly organised.

As one gazes nightly at the rows of mothers, all of them apparently in the last stages of physical and mental exhaustion, one can't help misquoting Madame Roland, "Oh Society, what crimes are committed in thy name!"

Chaperones were not invited to the dance given by Mrs. Ormond Lawson-Johnston and Mrs. Wallace Kirk for Vesta Culbertson, of Chicago, wast week, and, I dare to suggest, that accounts for it being a very gay dance indeed.

The house was Mrs. Gordon Leith's in Hyde Park Square, (Continued overleaf)



A pause for lunch during fishing operations near Ballindalloch, where Sir Ian Walker has an annual appointment with Spey salmon. The Squire of Osmaston Manor, whose polo team has been a redoubtable one and won the championship, succeeded his father, Sir Peter Walker, when he was fifteen. His Derbyshire place is near Ashbourne

PANORAMA—continued

which has an octagonal room built out at the back where the band was stationed, and in the wide hall that connects it with the other drawing-room there is a de László's portrait of Mrs. Leith painted in nurse's uniform whilst she was running a hospital during the war.

Miss Culbertson chose bouffant tulle dress for her first coming-out party (her second will be held in America). She also carried a bouquet of lilies of-the-valley, and actually introduced numbers of people as they arrived-an almost unheard-of but welcome innovation. There was a large dinner party at the house beforehand at which were Lady Cambridge in the blue that bears her name, Mrs. Cunningham-Reid looking brilliant in gold sequins, Lady Ravensdale, and Lady Iris Mountbatten in a very effective and becoming star-spangled dress of aquamarine-coloured net to match her drop earrings and the clip that she received when she was a bridesmaid to the Duchess of Kent.

Mrs. Lawson-Johnston, in white satin, was a vivacious, busy hostess; Lady Smiley, in a filmy flowing dress, handpainted with garlands of leaves, "Blue Danubed" with her husband; Lord and Lady Sackville were rarely off the dance floor; and Lady Mount Temple, who had come up from Broadlands for the night, wore a tiara of aquamarines with a huge clip to match. The supper room was

crowded, even at three o'clock in the morning, and the reason was not far to seek, for the chicken à la king and the ice-cream lying enticingly in halved pineapples were each of the kind that demand—and get—a second helping.

Débutantes and ex-débutantes, under the chairmanship of popular Eileen Brougham, are helping a large senior committee, headed by Lady Marian Cameron, to make a success of the Midsummer Night's Ball at Hurlingham Club on

June 24.

The Victoria Hospital for Children appeals to every woman's heart, whatever her age, and illuminations, fireworks and an exhibition by Lady Plunket are all promised. Could one ask more for a guinea?

Débutantes have also been getting into trouble. Three of them—Cynthia Toulmin, Betty Dunn, and Barbara Stern were victims of a motor smash, but it is good news that they are not hurt quite so seriously as was thought at first. Still, the damage was enough to put Miss Dunn on the sick list for some weeks.

Luckily, the surgeon in charge is confident that



AT TYLNEY HALL, BASINGSTOKE

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Black attending the Ball given not long ago by Sir Herbert and Lady Cayzer at their country house for their younger daughter, Miss Molly Cayzer. Mrs. Archie Black, the Duke of Roxburghe's cousin, was Miss Rosemary Villiers before her marriage. Her husband is a rising young publisher More pictures of this event m next week's issue

her facial injuries will leave no disfiguring scars, although she will have to exercise a great deal of patience before she is pronounced ready to go out and about again.

Miss Toulmin, whose mother, Mrs. William Leveson-Gower, has taken a house in Chesham Place, was unconscious for several hours as the result of concussion, but an X-ray photograph showed no signs of a fractured skull, and her friends breathed a sigh of relief and thankfulness.

In an extraordinary and rather terrible coincidence, when rushing out of London to her daughter's side, Mrs. Leveson-Gower was also involved in a motor accident, and had to have medical attention, but luckily not for very serious injuries.

Miss Stern's broken collarbone and generally bruised condition was, on the whole, a fairly light "let-off." The accident might so easily have been a very great deal worse, especially when one hears that over 20,000 people were injured on the road last month!!

think that Coronation year at Ascot will remain a permanent memory with all who attended the races. Beautiful women and good horses seemed super-abundant, winners were popular, but there were enough long-priced outsiders to make the gamblers happy.

Everyone was impressed by the good spirits of the King, who looked tanned, smiling and well.

The Queen looked really lovely, and her clothes thrilled all the women present.

m next week's issue From the Royal Enclosure to picnickers on the heath both sides of the course share one thing, and that is an enthusiastic

loyalty, a most reassuring thing!
As the Royal landaus, the King's drawn by greys with postillions dressed in scarlet and gold, came down the course

the cheers were louder and longer than ever before. In the Royal circle the Duchesses of Gloucester

In the Royal circle the Duchesses of Gloucester and Kent rivalled each other with lovely hats, smart dresses and charm.

Gossip writers, fashion writers, descriptive reporters and sports experts have all covered columns of the daily newspapers describing Coronation Ascot. There is little left to say except that the crowds were larger, moving from place to place was more difficult, and women's clothes on the whole were freer from exaggeration.

For smart simplicity, I gave the prize to Lady Alexandra Metcalfe, in black and white.

The Marquess of Queensberry is presenting a Grand Boxing Tournament in aid of All Saints' Hospital at the Empress Stadium, Earls Court, on June 28. Among those boxing will be Jack Doyle, Gunnar Barlund, Peter Kane, and Petit Biquet.



LADY GEORGIANA KIDSTON ADMIRING HER SON GLEN

This attractive picture of Mary Countess Howe's daughter and grandson was taken at Coval Court, Sunningdale, where Lady Georgiana Kidston and her husband have lately been living. They will be off to Malta before very long, Lieut. Home Kidston, R.N., having been appointed to the Mediterranean Fleet. Young Glen Kidston, whose Christian name is a family one will be ten weeks old on Saturday next, June 26



THE CINEMA

Words of Wisdom By JAMES AGATE

COMEBODY has sent me a little brochure of some thirty pages containing three short essays on the cinema, by Mr. Robert Herring, someone calling himself or herself "Bryher," and Mr. Dallas Bower. The three essays are called "Film in Entertainment," "Film in Education," and "Film in the Social Scene." Since the reading of this booklet has proved more stimulating than any of the week's new films, I propose to write a few words about it. Mr. Herring is a man after my own heart. He stands no nonsense. But before you can make your stand against nonsense it is first necessary to be able to recognise nonsense, and this Mr. Herring can do also. He talks about the critics who "argue so artily about films that they make it altogether too much of a responsibility to see one." Mr. Herring puts into a few short, concise words something I have been trying to batter into the public consciousness for years, and without the least success. Unless, of course, it is I who have battered it into

Mr. Herring! This thing is the impossibility of combining the enter-tainment which is to please the million with the work of art which is to charm the few. Mr. Herring puts the case more pithily than ever I have managed to do, here it is in his own words: "With all its powers of opening up the world and of diving into our consciousness, the camera has been constrained to compress everything into a composition comprehensible to one body—the public, all of it—everyhere—at once. It is as if every play were produced for the largest audience-aimed at those of the London Coliseum or Hippodrome. Naturally, the theatre, as such, would soon cease to be entertaining. But nearly every film is produced for a Coliseum audience. Spectacle is shoved into intimate drama to bring it up into the 'big feature' class. History is turned into romance (Mary of Scotland). Melo-dramas have been turned into comedies ('the audience wants laughs'), musical comedies into dramas ('they must have their thrills '), Shakespeare, as Midsummer Night's Dream, into a Warner revue, as with As You Like It into a Victorian pantomime. . . In short, films are made as like each other as possible. Because the public expected one thing they went to the cinema and the enormous amount of money in movies made it impossible for the risk of trying out something else to be taken suffi-

ciently often for them to get used to it." Mr. Herring concludes: "Mr. Heinz, the other champion of tinned goods, has fifty-seven varieties; the movies, God help them, have only seven-comedy, drama, romance, history, cartoon, news-reel, and documentarynone of which differ in flavour as much as tinned peas from tinned beans:

If Mr. Herring uses the rapier Mr. Bower uses the bludgeon. Here are a few of his blows. "The elevation of the cinema to the dignity of art," he says, "started just prior to a time when the all-crooning, all-stammering horror began flooding with lachrymal eyewash those vast architectural monsters of neon and bad design; just during a time in Paris when a group of gentlemen whom now, as it were, we have come to regard as the dear old totties of the surrealist world were having their first little fling with a camera and some short ends. Earnest and tiresomely dressed persons would watch these abstractions in an ill-ventilated nickleodeon Montmartre way, or in the Strand on a Sunday afternoon." And again: "The masterpieces of Eisenstein and Pudovkin had been arriving from Russia and the pomposity they occasioned amongst the very young was unbelievable.

Mr. Bower makes the point that a good deal of good criticism is written about the celluloid drivel, which is what most films amount to. One of his criticisms about the critics is penetrating and acute. He finds that they will rave about a director's smoothness in continuity, capacity for playing his cast in a low key, happy choice of angle to situation, and so forth, while ignoring the shallowness of the picture's theme, the falsity of its values, the cheapness of its emotions, and its general shoddiness. A further complaint is that even the best critics fail to perceive that Europe is being slowly and gradually Americanised. The labour-saving kitchen, the horn-rimmed spectacles, the soft collar, the universality of telephones and motor cars—all these things, says Mr. Bower, are essentially American in origin and were adopted here because the films had made them seem desirable. But where is the horror in that? I have just returned from America, and the sooner England becomes Americanised the

better I, personally, shall be pleased. I have just re-read that last sentence and find that it is nonsense. I do not desire the English countryside to be Americanised, because such American country as I saw is not a patch upon the English country that I know. What I desire is that London shall become New Yorkised, and quickly. New York has all the air of a capital. In comparison, London looks like a collection of mud-huts at Wembley after the Exhibition has closed.

The person called "Bryher" is an entirely serious person or personess, and his or her theme is Education by means of the Cinema. He or she makes the good point that education, which is needed by everyone, is not the same thing as learning, which is for the few gifted people: "Learning, as an object in itself, is valuable and necessary, but it is being deflected from its true purpose of a knowledge that is intended for the exceptional few be applied as a general standard to hundreds of thousands. It bears the same relationship to education that research work bears to general business and science. We should laugh if every horticultural student were to be locked up in a laboratory to study soil temperatures while the farms were left derelict for want of supervision. Without apparently useless experiments neither the telephone nor the wireless nor the cinema itself would have been discovered: but, again, if we had only pioneers,



JOAN BLONDELL GOES ALL MEXICAN!

The beautiful wife of Dick Powell in some clothes that no Mexican cow-puncher would ever dream of wearing. Mr. and Mrs. Dick Powell were married at sea last year and then had an extended honeymoon. They are both Warner Brothers stars and Dick Powell won much fame in Hearts Divided, and one of Joan Blondell's recent big successes was Sons o' Guns

> and no one to apply the discoveries in a practical manner, of what use would they be to the world?" Bryher's argument is that a great deal of book-teaching should be replaced by the education film: "There should be no reason why the whole of the teaching staff should not be retained; it would be the only method which would be altered."

> This extremely intelligent little booklet is called "Cinema Survey," is issued by the Brendin Publishing Company, and costs a shilling. I hope my account of it has not bored readers. Next week I promise to give an account of how a surgeon devoted so much time to surgery and so little to his wife that she fell in love with a crooner, the discovery being made by the surgeon at the moment his knife is poised to remove the crooner's tonsils. Shall he or shall he not mistake the operation and perform a tracheotomy instead? In other words, shall he slit the fellow's throat? He is about to do so when he is arrested by the thought of another crooner. It is his baby in his cot. So he returns home, the tonsils get better, and the crooner and the surgeon's wife wander off into the sunset. I forgot to say that the crooner is a half-caste and the title of the film is Ha' pennies From Harlem.



LADY FEVERSHAM AND H.R.H. THE DUKE OF KENT

ROYAL ASCOT HUNT CUP DAY



LORD SEFTON, CAPTAIN CECIL BOYD-ROCHFORT, LADY ANNE HUNLOKE, MR. HARRY BROWN AND LORD ILIFFE



LORD SHAFTESBURY LADY LETTICE ASHLEY-COOPER



LORD LOVAT AND MISS DIANA CLARKE



LADY MOIRA COMBE, MAJOR HARBORD AND (left) A FRIEND



HILL CHILD DUCHESS OF NORTHUMBERLAND

Hunt Cup day was not noticeably warmer than the opening one and was inclined to be spotty. A lot of people who had not had enough of cold-nosed June went on to Aldershot after the last race to see Goulburn have a polo fight with the British Army. It was even colder sitting still! H.R.H. the Duke of Kent, like a good many more, hoped for a Royal win in the big race. Lady Feversham, who is with H.R.H., is the former Hon. Anne Wood; she married an M.F.H. and is the daughter of another one. The group in the centre at the top describes itself to anyone who goes racing, as they are all regulars bar one, Lord lifte. Captain Cecil Boyd-Rochfort was very much the man of the moment next day as the trainer of Precipitation, winner of the Gold Cup. Lady Anne Hunloke is the youngest of the Duke and Duchess of Devonshire's daughters, and Lord Shaftesbury is with the younger of his two daughters. Lady Moira Combe and Major Geoff. Harbord are said to be registering extreme hunger for the benefit of the camera, as they were on the way to lunch. Brigadier-General Sir Hill Child, formerly in the Irish Guards, and the Duchess of Northumberland, M.F.H. (the Percy), were said to be on a similar errand

Racing Ragout By "GUARDRAIL"

7RITING this on the Wednesday evening, it has up to date been rather a dull Ascot. Nothing sensa-tional has happened in the way of frocks, weather or upsets. The three-year-olds have continued to beat each other, and while it was against the book to see Sandsprite given nearly a stone and beaten, it was no great surprise. In the St. James's Palace Stakes Goya reversed the Derby form with Le Grand Duc, and Fairford is probably a good horse at five or six furlongs. He ran far more like a non-stayer than a dog. In the Fern Hill it was surprising to see Diplomat walk away from Foray and Waterbird, and if the form is right this stands out as the best three-year-old sprinter.

The Aga Khan, after a lean year last season, has come into his own again with the two-year-olds. Rightly or wrongly, I formed the opinion that, while Mirza II is brilliantly fast, he may be no more than a sprinter. There doesn't seem to be a lot of him and he won't grow very much. While he is a very charming horse there is a lot to be said for On-

second in a race where there was no second, but he was running on. The Queen Mary form I should put down as being very moderate. They finished all in a heap, and I rather think Smirke stole the race with Queen of Simla, a nice-quality filly whose forelegs are not her strong point.

Tahir won the Chesham almost as easily as Mirza won the Coventry, and if there is anything in breeding, these two surely should be entitled to go. His Majesty's nice colt Jubilee must have gone right off, as he ran a very moderate race and finished nearly last.

Alterations have been made to the course, chiefly by making the far side of the straight course parallel to the stand side. I was very sceptical as to the value of the alteration, but there is no doubt that at any rate in dry weather it has worked like a charm. Most of the winners, including the Hunt Cup winner, have come from the far side, a result which until this year has been considered impossible for the last ten or fifteen years. I am told that in the distant ages, before I went racing, all winners on the straight course used to come from the far side.

Never has there been such a crowd, and the comparatively slight congestion reflects the greatest credit on the organisers of the traffic

arrangements. I have it on the best authority there were 3,000 (!!!) more cars on Hunt Cup day than any previous record. And what fun the Ascot crowd is. At every stride you see unexpectedly someone you know. Here is a horse dealer from Limerick. Here is a woman as lovely as she was in 1920 with foal at foot half as big again as herself, and just presented. The last time you saw that parson, one of the few remaining ones of the old school, he was insisting that if he preached morning and evening at the harvest festival it entitled him to two horses with the Cottesmore on the Saturday and the same with the Quorn on the Monday. That frightfully tight old-world frock-coat conceals, and only just conceals, the person of an elderly gentleman, white-haired and benevolent, who fifty years ago did his boots at the game and climbed back viâ a solvent and now defunct wife. I do not know who decides Ascot fashion and whether women should wear hats that fit like thimbles or like gig umbrellas. A quorum of gentlemen, however, members of one of the smaller clubs with one of the larger tents, tell me that so far as clothes are concerned Ascot was dull. Never leaving the drinking

lawn, except once to see the Royal procession, during the entire meeting, they saw the majority of the rank, beauty and fashion pass before them on their way in and out of lunch, Their considered opinion seemed to be that an enormous number of women had been bought clothes, badges and a mid-day meal on insufficient merit. I would have disregarded their verdict had they not said that the best-looking and best-turned-out woman they had seen was Her Royal Highness the Duchess of Kent-a verdict that no one could disagree with.

Meanwhile, the other attractions of Ascot Week are as good or better than ever. The Tattoo has now reached the most enormous proportions; seats have to be booked months beforehand, and a good lump in the throat can be enjoyed at every item, from the com-munity singing to the skirl of the pipes play-ing "The Flowers of the Forest" in the distance.

The Horse Show has been kept going by several public-spirited people. It looked at one time like lapsing from lack of public support, but now, thanks to the interesting items of all sorts brought into a programme which otherwise could only appeal to the cognoscenti of the horse world, it is going strong. The display of strong. the Cadre Noir is a thing no one should miss.



AMONGST THOSE PRESENT AT ASCOT

A few well-known faces which added lustre, if not beauty, to the world's greatest racing carnival last week. The key to it all is, from top to bottom and across the picture: Mr. F. W. Dennis, owner of Sweet Content, the runner-up in the Oaks; Mr. John Hislop, who is Victor Gilpin's manager and a well-known G.R.; Captain A. Fitzgerald, a G.R. of repute in Ireland and a son-in-law of Captain Frank Forester, a famous former Master of the Quorn and other packs; Mr. Jim Joel, a son of Mr. Jack Joel of Sünstar and Humorist fame—both won the Derby; Harry Powney, who trains Sandsprite, runner-up in the Prince of Wales's Stakes on Ascot's opening day; and Fred Butters and Micky Beary, jointly responsible for Midday Sun's win in this year's exciting Derby

LOTS IN THE WIND AT BEMBRIDGE



LT.-COLONEL DE LANDE LONG AND MISS COLLEDGE



CAPTAIN AND MRS. DENISON, CAPTAIN ROY SAVILE (BEHIND) AND MRS. B. C. DUFF



Arthur Owen
MR. TERENCE LANGRISHE, MRS. DE LANDE LONG, SIR HERCULES LANGRISHE,
MISS PAMELA DE LANDE LONG AND MRS. WESTMACOTT AND A. N. OTHER

The Bembridge Sailing Club recently held a two-day regatta, and here are some of the people who watched some very good racing. Colonel de Lande Long, member of the Royal Yacht Squadron, has belonged to the Bembridge Sailing Club for many years, and his wife and daughter go to sea with zest, too. Their Island home is Lisle Court, Wootton. That ever-young Irishman, Sir Hercules Langrishe, and Captain Roy Savile, who has a house at Bembridge, are also members of the R.Y.S. Mr. Terence Langrishe is Sir "Herky's" only son, and Mr. Louis Campbell is Sir Charles Campbell's brother. Mrs. Ismay, née Moreton, belongs to a family which has sailing in its blood



MRS. LOUIS CAMPBELL, MR. CAMPBELL AND MRS. ISMAY



GENERAL AND MRS. FITZPATRICK

EARL AND COUNTESS RUSSELL AND THEIR YOUNG HOPEFUL

Not long ago that noted rationalist, philosopher, and writer on social questions, the third Earl Russell, delightedly welcomed a sturdy young son into the family circle at Harting, near Petersfield. Lord Russell, now aged sixty-four, was married for the third time early last year, his bride being his former secretary, Miss Patricia Helen Spence. Lady Russell still helps her clever husband with his literary work and her name appears as collaborateur in one of his most recent publications, "Letters and Diaries of My Parents." Lord Russell's heir, Viscount Amberley, was born in 1921

sublime and isn't a transformation. In fact, when fanatical idealists cease to amuse you, they are rather annoying. Not

because of their ideal, of course, but because, thanks to human nature being what it is, you know—and human history will verify your knowledge—that nothing will turn out a bit as they expected; at least, not unless they are convinced that other names completely transform other vices—or other virtues, for the matter of that. Humanity does progress from its Original Sins—and by "sins" I mean the sins of social and moral behaviour, rather than anything to dowith the Ten Commandments; but the progress is so slow that wars and revolutions and fanatical reforms make no more lasting impression in the long run than twigs thrown on a raging flood, creating a disturbance locally, but soon lost in the surrounding swirl.

They all end in pomp and power, tyranny and gilded trappings, with an army, a police force, bribery, corruption, general vindictiveness towards opposition. Just the eyil, in fact, which it was hoped to destroy. In the individual, not in the group, lies the betterment of the world. Only it is a slow, slow progress, because the individual is quickly swamped by the group, until at last he wouldn't recognise his own sermon; so much has the thing preached against enveloped, under other nomenclature maybe, the preachers themselves. By which remark, perhaps, you may dub me a pessimist—which I am not. Only I don't believe human nature changes because new and violent enactments rule its daily being. Give power and you will give tyranny; give tyranny and you will give an army of

WITH SILENT FRIENDS

By RICHARD KING

Communism as an Actual Experience. HE worst

of ideals is that thev always look so much more beatific on paper. actual fact, they usually descend to that rather low common nominatorwhich is human nature. Briefly. post - reformation is uncomfortable, like pre-reformation, with all the knots in a vicious circle masquerading under other names. The older you grow, the less surprised you become at any promised sublime transformationwhich isn't



Howard Coster
JOHN MOORE, AUTHOR-SPORTSMAN

Few authors have such versatile interests as John Moore, who hunts, shoots, plays village cricket, fishes and flies with equal enthusiasm. He got his "A" licence last year and now he has just published "Clouds of Glory," in which the excitements and emotions of air travel give vivid point to an entertaining story. Mr. Moore, whose earlier novels included "English Comedy," is part editor of "The Book of the Fly Rod" and "The Angler's Week-End Book"

offence; give an army and you will give pomp and pageantry; give pomp and pageantry and you will very often parade an empty crust: the symbol far more worshipped than the thing symbolised. Metaphorically speaking, Christ entered Jerusalem on an ass, but His Church has done its level best to rectify that modest performance. A brass band is a far more convincing argument than a plain statement of truth.

Again, to give yet another instance, the more one reads about the later developments of Soviet Russia, the more one realises how relentlessly it is approaching to a capitalistic country. The mode of expression is different, but the facts expressed are remarkably reminiscent. But people will die for something under another name, and slave-turned-tyrant always seems to carry a Sword of Justice according to his followers. Yet, although no reform, however divine, has ever been achieved by a sword, the false gods are always rattling a weapon in a scabbard. That is why, in the long run, they never leave a lasting impression, except as some execrable memory. Something which maybe began with the finest intentions, and ended up by defending selfish ones. Read André Gide's little book, "Back from the U.S.S.R."

Read André Gide's little book, "Back from the U.S.S.K." (Secker and Warburg; 2s. 6d.), and you will have a very fine idea of how the ideal of Communism works out in actuality after a space of years. There is more real freedom for the individual in capitalistic England than in the whole of Russia—unless you be one of the select cabal. And André Gide was, you must remember, once a proclaimed Communist himself. He had his herd of mostly youthful disciples. He influenced modern quasi-intellectual thought. He is still a Communist, but, after his visit to Russia, he has realised that the ideal, like Christianity, is lovelier in the "dream" than it has ever been accomplished in reality. If only the human heart could be changed as easily as human conduct at the point of the sword, who would not take up arms? Marx has not failed: only Stalin. The high hopes of twenty-one years ago, the persecution, the sufferings, the atrocities of all revolutions, accompanied by physical force, have all ended—as everybody knew they would—in a bad-tempered bourgeois republic. With a man governing: the proletariat "dancing"

to his tune. Not an emperor, of course; not a dictator—but it would require a

lunatic to see the difference.

M. Gide went to Russia hoping and expecting to find an age of enlightenment borne forward by an enlightened people. He found gross incompetence, laziness, shoddiness, tactlessness, soul-deadening domestic surroundings, queues at every shop, persecution, and police terrorism abounding. And over all a strange, fanatical belief that these things proclaimed the dawn of a new civilisation! A deadly seriousness as pompous as it is truly ignorant. "I doubt," he writes, "whether in any country in the world, even in Hitler's Germany, thought be less free, more bowed down, more fearful, more vassalised." He loathed, with all the loathing of a man born to freedom, the appalling mass-produced mind and conduct enforced by Soviet rulers upon the ruled; the whole contradicting what should be real freedom, real liberty, the fullest expression of the best in human life and human possibilities. It made him weep. The whole of his later life had been influenced by the ideal which Communism - on paper - expressed. He went to Russia almost childlike in his beliefs. He returned a saddened and embittered man, with his ideal still intact, but its realisation as far to seek as ever. But, unlike so many of these Communists, he has had the courage to tell us of his disappointment. He has the erudition to see the truth behind the masquerade which only pompously proclaims it in fact, pompously and falsely. One respects
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TWO GREAT SHOWS



IN "THE GREAT ROMANCER": CORAL BROWN, ROBERT MORLEY (AS DUMAS) AND ERIC PORTMAN

Photos.: Houston Rogers
VIVIENNE BENNETT AND ROBERT MORLEY



AT THE FARR-NEUSEL FIGHT: H.E. HERR VON RIBBENTROP AND MAX SCHMELING

Two great shows were staged on Tuesday night of last week. One was Tommy Farr's great victory over Walter Neusel at the Harringay Stadium, of which more anon, and the other was the presentation of "The Great Romancer" at the New Theatre. In this play, written by Jules Eckert Goodman round the author of "The Three Musketeers" and his circle, Robert Morley's rendering of Alexandre Dumas, père, is a masterpiece in which humour, pathos, and top-speed charm are brilliantly blended. Vivienne Bennett is the Marie Dorval of a highly entertaining comedy. As to the Big Fight, it has been so much headline news that any description of Tommy Farr's triumph is unnecessary, but we would like to proffer further felicitations to the gallant Welshman on having produced a punch which puts him into the world-beater class. Who next? Maybe Neusel's redoubtable compatitot, Max Schmeling, who watched the fight with the German Ambassador. Max Baer, an earlier victim of Farr, whom he tipped to beat Neusel, was also looking on, in company with those famous fun-makers, Stanley Lupino and Laddie Cliff. Lord Beaverbrook, Lady Brownlow, and "Critch" were other ringside-seat holders



ABOVE: LADY BROWNLOW, BRIG.-GEN. CRITCHLEY AND LORD BEAVER-BROOK. BELOW: STANLEY LUPINO, LADDIE CLIFF AND MAX BAER



WITH SILENT FRIENDS-continued

him all the more for his honesty in describing facts as he found them.

Yet, as one reads his thoughtful, intensely interesting little book, one is struck all the more by the childishness of those who pin their faith on human nature in the mass to achieve any immediate reform of itself. In the individual, here and there, the ideal will sometimes find a Divine expression, but in a group-movement-except, perhaps, in the very beginning, while thoughts have not yet been put into acts—you may safely assume the worst. And by the "worst" I mean a repetition of all that has gone before, which made an idealist's reformation seem so necessary. It is. But it seems to me, until humility is worshipped in the same way as grandeur and power, the New Earth will never fail to resemble the

worst of the old one; with true freedom, as apart from the licence of power, the raison d'être of human life.

André Gide's book is but another sad, yet intensely interesting, example of high idealism wrecked, willynilly, on the ugliness of fact -of which human nature in the group-aggregate is the chief rock. I would like to distribute it wholesale in those ranks where modern Soviet Russia is proclaimed as being a better life in a better world for all, rather than for sundry. So far, it hasn't turned out to be in the least like that!

Intimate Picture of R. L. S.

Isobel Field, the stepdaughter of Robert Louis Stevenson, has just written a very interesting autobiography, which rightly she has called "This Life I've Loved'' (Michael Joseph; 15s.). Its main interests, I suppose, are the vivid, intimate accounts she gives of the Stevenson household in Samoa - so happy, so carefree, in spite of the "shadow" which hung over the household. She herself was her famous stepfather's secretary, and to her he dictated, among other things, his story "St. Ives," R. L. S. pacing up and down the room. acting each character as he or she spoke in the tale. Yet, apart from these interesting chapters, which deal with life in Samoa, her own life apart is packed with interest. Her own father must have been a most attractive figure, although

it was not a happy household. Evidently her parents were illsuited to each other. Her father, handsome, happy-go-lucky; her mother apparently one of those women who forgive, but take a secret joy in never forgetting. There was a divorce: each married again. Her mother married R. L. S.; her father, after he had been wedded to a girl who adored him, one day walked out of the house and was never heard of again !

There are interesting accounts of life in the once brilliant Court of King Halakua of Hawaii; of work in Paris as an art student at the Atelier Julien; poverty in Australia, and eventually the contentment of life in Samoa. Mrs. Field can make everything she remembers extremely vivid, and she has a sense of humour to liven the mildest episode. As, for example, when her mother and stepmother insisted upon her being extremely careful concerning the friends she made on board a ship going to Australia, and she deliberately

cultivated the society of an ultra-respectable couple, who turned out to be eloping together, one from a wife and five children, the other from a husband and two. Again, deliberately she made the acquaintance of a very staid and distinguishedlooking man, who turned out to be an international crook. Briefly, I found "This Life I've Loved" to be the kind of autobiography which I love to read, and I think you will too.

An Exciting Story.

Mr. Peter Traill's new novel, "The Sleeve of Night" M Grayson; 7s. 6d.), can be divided into two parts, each with an interest of its own. The characters, of course, appear in both, and if, psychologically speaking, they seem to fit in better during Part I., and appear rather small-size to fill in Part II., that doesn't lessen the excitement of the latter portion: at least, not very much. John Tealman, who likes his love to be

associated with a legal wife, domesticity and children, has the misfortune to be devoted to Fay, an actress, with very little life left apart from her stage career. She loves him, but decides that an actress and domesticity should never meet. She will become his mistress, and so each will be able to get on with his and her own separate professional existence. This goes on for some years, until John, in spite of himself, transfers his affection from Fay to her rather mysterious sister, Norma, who lives with her, sharing a flat. Norma will, at any rate, marry him and settle down as a wife and, maybe, mother. Nevertheless, the problem is a difficult one, because Fav is an egoist. and all egoists are jealous of what is theirs, even though they may have ceased to want it. Besides, the two sisters hate each other-why, we know not, until the very end.

To get over the difficulty, Norma implores John to go right away for six weeks' holiday, where no letters can reach him. Matters will have to accumulate in his absence. While he is away she will break the news to her sister, and by the time he returns the worst of the storm will be over. Reluctantly, John goes away, and when he returns he discovers that Norma has committed suicide and is buried. But has she committed suicide? Well, you must read the story to find out. It would not be fair to tell

you, because it is a tale which is exciting as a story, rather than as a study of characters. As I wrote above, these characters seem rather small-size for the parts they are called upon to play eventually, and I, for one, refuse to believe that John, too, committed suicide in the end—"in the steadfast hope that somewhere Norma was waiting for him to tell him that his faith in their love was justified." I can only see him-say a year after her mysterious death-having a good dinner after a round of golf, and going to sleep in an easy chair under the "late night final." And the rest of And the rest of the characters pursuing their strictly limited, personal, small ways also. Nevertheless, this is an excellent story to read, and I defy anybody being able to lay it down until the problem of Norma's death has been solved. And let me add that any irresistible desire to glance at the last page in your suspense won't help you much-I tried it myself!



ENGAGED?: LADY PATRICIA DOUGLAS

There is a strong rumour at the time of writing that the engagement of Count John de Bendern to the Marquess of Queensberry's daughter by his first marriage will shortly be announced. De Bendern is the new surname—recently adopted by deed-poll—of those well-known golfing brothers, John and Alaric de Forest. Count John was British Amateur Champion in 1932, and Count Alaric reached the semi-final round in this year's contest at Sandwich. Lady

Patricia Douglas was one of last season's débutantes. She had coming-out parties given for her both by her mother, Lady Dunn, and by her stepmother, whose nom de peinture of Cathleen Mann is a famous one

GOLF AND GOLFERS



HARROGATE GOLF CLUB-By "MEL"

Harrogate, that fair city of the waters, with Yorkshire air that is like the best champagne, boasts a membership of 300 mere male men and 200 of the far superior sex and has its seat at an idyllic spot called Starbeck. For confirmation, take an eye-full of the snapshot in the centre of this page. When the club was founded in 1892, they only had a nine-hole course at a place called Iron Gare Bridge Road. From the present course you can see York Minster on a clear day and the effect that this must have upon people, even when intensely irritated, hardly needs any stressing. At Starbeck it has been well and truly said that you get "Park" golf at its best, and as it is so supremely well drained it is never wet. "Mel," as usual, has collected all the blades and bloods

AND HERE ARE SOME MORE



THE HON. JOHN FOX-STRANGWAYS ARRIVES WITH THE HON. ESMÉ GLYN



MISS ROHAYS BURNETT OF LEYS AND LORD AMHERST OF HACKNEY



MR, PETER LAYCOCK AND LADY CHURSTON



MRS. HUGH LEVESON-GOWER AND HER MOTHER LADY MULLENS



LADY O'NEILL IN A CHARMING HAT



THE AGA KHAN AND THE BEGUM
AGA KHAN

Ascot was royal as usual with all the customary and attractive pageantry, and the only thing that was lacking was the burnish which an Ascot sun always gives. The sun seems to have forgotten that there is such a place as Ascot on the earth. There were many pretty dresses with pretty and Lady Ilchester's younger son, who was at Eton and later The House, is Lord Wolverton's younger sister; whilst Lord Amherst is on escort duty—rather a misnomer in the circumstances—to Major-General Sir James and Lady Burnett's good-looking daughter. Mr. Peter Laycock, who is with Lady Chuston, the former Miss Elizabeth Du Pre, is a subaltern in the Notts Yeomanry. Lady O'Neill's fuchsia and white printed silk dress was worn with a most becoming man-o'-war cap in the same colour scheme. The Begum Aga Khan, who is always one of the smartest, was naturally in great good spirits on the first day, when the family jacket was home in front twice (Mirza II. and Queen of Simla, both ridden by Charlie Smirke the stable jockey, who had to work his passage on the latter—in good earnest)

ASCOT PERSONALITIES



THE DUKE AND DUCHESS OF KENT AND LORD AND LADY HERBERT



LADY BEATTY IN A CHARM-ING FLOWERED DRESS



THEIR MAJESTIES WITH LORD HAMILTON OF DALZELL, THE SENIOR STEWARD



MISS KENYON-SLANEY AND MR. G. H. LOWTHER



THE HON. MRS. CUNNINGHAM-REID IN A BLISTERED CLOQUÉ DRESS



MR. JOHN AND LADY CECILIA SMILEY

Their Majesties and the whole of the royal party seemed to enjoy every minute of Ascot Stakes Day, upon which, so it is alleged, the backers punished the Ring. The King and Queen are seen escorted by Lord Hamilton of Dalzell, the senior steward, the other stewards having been the Duke of Norfolk, Lord Harewood, who arrived with the Princess Royal, and Sir Samuel Scott. Everybody seemed to be in great heart, and even though the thermometer was not overworked, it did not seem to make any difference to the general bonhomic. Lord Herbert, who, with his charming wife, is seen with the Duke and Duchess of Kent, was appointed an Equerry to H.R.H. in 1935, and Lady Herbert is the former Lady Mary Hope. Lady Beatty, who was another of the beautifully-attired, is the former Mrs. Dorothy Sands, of Virginia, U.S.A. The Hon. Mrs. Cunningham-Reid is the sister of Lady Louis Mountbatten, and they are the daughters of Lord Mount Temple. Lady Cecilia Smiley, who was married last December to Sir Hugh Smiley's brother, is Lord Cowley's younger half-sister and is the former Lady Cecilia Wellesley. Mr. G. H. Lowther, who is Miss Kenyon-Slaney's escort, is Colonel and the Hon. Mrs. J. G. Lowther's son and heir, his father being the famous Pytchley Master

CONCERNING GOLF: HENRY LONGHURST

ANOTHER crowded week—so crowded, in fact, that I don't know what to tell you about and what to leave out. First of all, Turnberry. Congratulations to the new lady champion, Miss Jessie Anderson, who throughout the Championship acquitted herself in a manner worthy of a player of twice her tender years: Miss Anderson is the girl who holed a putt of six yards on the last green at Gleneagles, to keep the Curtis Cup in Great Britain. Having already proved that she can perform wonders on behalf of somebody else, she has now shown the world that she is also unbeatable on her own behalf.

She is only what the novelettes call a "slip of a thing," but she hits the ball as far and as straight as anyone, and, despite the tales of her breaking down in tears at the end of the final (which cannot have lasted more than twenty seconds, for I was within five paces of her at the time and did not notice it), she has a coolness of mind that would be worth hundreds a year to some of the professionals. She is a living

example of the truth of the old dictum that length depends not on how hard you hit the ball, but on how well you hit it.

In the final she played Miss Doris Park—and there was no doubt that the better player won. "A man who can putt is a match for anyone," said Willie Park, Doris's father. "But," one might reply, "no one can go on holing them for ever." So, at least, it proved with Miss Park during the past week. For upwards of six days she holed everything, but the time came when father's old, thinworn, hickory-shafted putter could do no more—and then, of course, she lost.

It was a case of an unsound method losing to an orthodox method. In every shot Miss Park aims far out to the right, and then with a controlled kind of "beginners' loop," yanks the ball round in a semi-circle towards the line of play. Her method is reminiscent of that of Dr. William Tweddell, the amiable captain of the last Walker Cup team, who is the only first-class amateur to use a completely shut stance for every shot. Turnberry was in superb order, and the service in the hotel, where everyone stayed, was beyond criticism. The ladies played on the Arran course, but the other, or Ailsa, is going to be altered, so that in time it will take its rightful place as one of Britain's most pleasant tests of golf.

From Turnberry I hurried down overnight and took a 'plane from Croydon which enabled me to arrive at Chantilly in time to watch the English boys play their victorious match against France. No form of international sport could do more to promote good feeling between

the players of the two countries than these particular golf internationals.

The English team, having scraped home by a single point at Deal last year, won handsomely this time, but for no other reason than that they all played quite extraordinarily well. Leonard Crawley was the star attraction, having just completed four rounds of the course in 281 during the previous week in the French Open. The most rigid American par was 70, so that his last round of 67 may be appreciated at its true worth. He lost the Championship only on the last two holes on the first day, which he did in 5, 6 and 6, 5. His conqueror, Marcel Dallemagne, carries a great many people's money for the Open at Carnoustie, and I must say that I cannot think of anyone more likely to survive four rounds of that gruelling examination in golf. He has the length and the strength and the temperament. If ever you have the chance, go and see him play and take a look at an ideal specimen of physical perfection,



"MEL," GOLF-COURSE ARCHITECT

"Mel" says: "For many years there has been a crying necessity for a golf-course designed for pullers and slicers. The rough should be down the middle and the fairways at the side." In the foreground Ted Ray is seen opening the Pullers' and Slicers' Paradise Golf Club



Cannons of Hollywood, Dover Street

ONE OF LONDON'S HOSTESSES: LADY FORRES

The charming and popular wife of the second Baron Forres delights in entertaining, and there have been many parties of late at their Regent's Park house where the garden, which Lady Forres works in with tremendous enthusiasm, is looking quite enchanting just now. When the great exodus to Scotland starts Lord and Lady Forres go up to Glenogil in Forfar with their two sons, the Hon. John and the Hon. Angus Williamson. Son John, aged fourteen off, is at Eton and did host there to his mother on the Fourth. Before her marriage Lady Forres was Miss Jessie Harford, from Petty France, Badminton, Gloucestershire. Her husband was on active service in France, Gallipoli, and Egypt, 1914-1918, and is a Major in the reserve of the mechanised Westminster Dragoons (T.A.)



MISS DOROTHY NORTH AND MR. CLIVE GRAHAM

LT.-COL. E. PERCY SMITH AND

MLLE. MYEVA LEJEUNE

AT GATWICK IN THE SUN



MISS DIANA CLARKE, MR. KEN HOMAN AND MR. MICHAEL WEAVER



MRS. KENNETH WAGG, MR. "QUINNEY"
GILBEY AND MISS WILMOT



PRINCE ALY KHAN AND MRS. JAMES RANK



MR. CHRIS MACKINTOSH AND MR. BOB ROUTH (U.S.A.)

It does people quite as much good as it does horses to have the sun on their backs, and all the people who were at that pleasant Gatwick summer fixture which fits in so nicely between Epsom and Ascot had a liberal ration of it. The catalogue of this picture-gallery reads something like this: Miss Dorothy North, seen with her fiancé, is a granddaughter of Lord North and one of the daughters of the late Hon. Dudley North. Miss Diana Clarke is now a racing regularess and is the daughter of Lady Eileen Chappell. Mr. Ken Homan, who is in the same picture, is a cricketing enthusiast. The Aga Khan's son and Mrs. James Rank are far too well known in the racing set to need any labels. Colonel Percy Smith, who is with one of the Lejeune twins, is a brother-in law, of "Mr. Locke," General Sir E. Locke-Elliot, and he has a big estate in Kenya and some quite first-class big game shooting. Mrs. Kenneth Wagg, who is with two very famous racing celebrities, is a daughter of Colonel and Mrs. Jimmy Horlick, and last is one of the Duke of Hamilton's sons-in-law with a genial visitor from the U.S.A.

AT THE POLO GAME IN THE RIGHT WEATHER





LADY KEMBALL-COOK AND THE MARQUESA DE NAJERA AT RANELAGH





AT ROEHAMPTON: MISS EILEEN AUSTIN AND THE DUCHESS OF ROXBURGHE

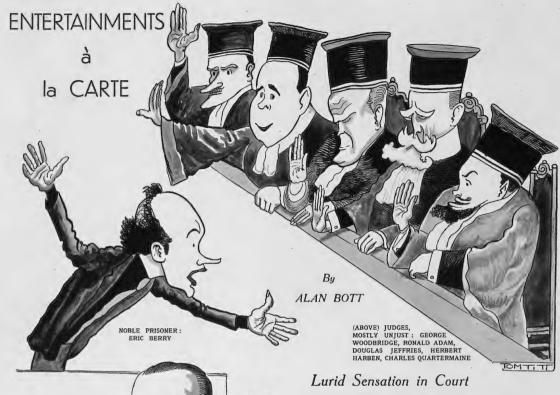


AND MISS ESMÉE DE LITTLE AND MISS IRENE MANN-THOMSON



AT ROEHAMPTON: MRS. RICHARD TAUBER AND MRS. ALEX BARCLAY

All the talk at Ranelagh, where most of these pictures were taken, was as to whether Bhopal, who won their semi-final in the Open Cup v. Adsdean, would go for the Championship and not scratch, according to rumour, on account of the Nawab's bad accident: result, a fractured skull. Of those in this page, Lady Kemball-Cook, wife of Sir Basil Kemball-Cook, is a Russian who is as keen on watching polo as she is on the ballet. She is a daughter of General Olenitch, of the old Imperial Army. The Marquesa de Najera is one of the leading beauties of Spain as it used to be; she spends a good deal of her time in Paris. Sir Harry Lyons, who was with his wife and Mrs. Lehmann, from New York, used to be keen on playing polo. He is a Coronation baronet and in the picture alongside are two pretty ex-debs., and one of them is the daughter of Mrs. Fitzgerald and the late Colonel Mann-Thomson, who was in the Blues. The Duke of Roxburghe, another Blue, whose wife is looking on, was the Jaguars' back at Roehampton, where they beat The Knaves. Miss Bee Batlivala, who is with the beautiful Princess of Nepal and H.H.'s Lady-in-Waiting, takes an intelligent interest in polo because she plays it herself. Mrs. Alex Barclay's husband was in the Bays, and this season was playing for The Knaves till an accident knocked him out. Mrs. Richard Tauber is the beautiful Diana Napier in her film entity



PROSECUTOR, VERY

RABID: REGINALD IARMAN

OWN with tyrants, long live the people! Here is a grand melodrama, none the less rousing because it contains propaganda, and none the less intelligent because it is based on action. Mr. Elmer Rice's Judgment Day, at the Strand Theatre, is intelligent because it trains the attention of its audiences on world events and makes them consider the history of their own times. It is propaganda because it goes all-out to discredit the state of things in countries ruled by dictators (it should be taken with a fair-sized grain of salt because it permits none of its big or little tyrants to believe that their tyranny is justified). And it is melodrama because it is crammed with tension, lurid events, noble characters who are unrelievedly good and ignoble ones who are unrelievedly wicked, brutal, cruel, corrupt, cowardly or otherwise horrid.

On our Left, the estimable prisoners-Lydia, wife of the leader of the persecuted People's party, and Khitov, the party's deputy-leadersit accused of an attempt to kill the national dictator; the only lawyer who dares to defend them properly being a brave young American, brother to Lydia. On our Right are a decadent agent provocateur, a Minister who lies like Ananias and bellows like Boanerges, and a horde of venal witnesses, bullying counsel, time-serving spectators, unjust or cynical judges. And Centre, only two members of the Court who, on a Bench of five, are willing to put justice before

expediency and conscience before ambition.

The Storm Troopers' shirts in Judgment Day are Slavic green, as supposedly worn in a totalitarian State in south-eastern Europe; but the green would seem to be a dye from Teutonic brown, as worn at the Reichstag Fire Trial (Russo-red would not fit the case, partly because the author is a pronounced left-winger, but also because not even the small chances for defence enjoyed by his prisoners are permitted to the victims of Stalin's purges and trials-of-the-month). Kurt Schneider, the degenerate who has shot at the nation's Leader, is seemingly under the influence of dope or hypnotism while he Admits All, gives the prosecution exactly the answers it wants, and implicates innocent people who before the outrage did not know he existed. False witnesses put crooked nails into the coffins that are destined for Khitov and Lydia. And a swaggering General, the Minister for Culture and Enlightenment, not only delivers his quota of official untruth, but (as happened in the Reichstag trial) threatens the prisoners with his personal vengeance in case the Bench is unwise enough to spare their lives. On the other hand, the prisoners have latitude in defence for saying their pieces, shouting their denials and

PERJURED WITNESSES : NEVILLE BROOK, PHILLIP

LEAVER

(BELOW) -CULTURE -AND

ENLIGHTENMENT, TOTAL-

ITARIAN MODEL: ALAN

NAPIER



convincing democrats, on both sides of the footlights, that they are guiltless. Out of their story comes per-

suasion, firstly that the trial was faked to ruin the party of liberty, and secondly, that the attempted assassination was itself faked, in order to revive through sympathy a Leader's waning appeal to the masses.

If that were all, it would still be an effective play for audiences that do not mind thinking to the same extent as they feel or thrill; a play in which the melodrama goes no further than the melodrama in headlines from the European history of to-day and yesterday. Mr. Elmer Rice, though, has aimed at (and managed to reach) the much bigger audience that wants its excitements to be visible and its sensations to be "human." He splashes the political pattern with

personal incidents that are highly dramatic. For instance, he provides the female prisoner with a daughter of schoolgirl age, whose testimony, after so much lying from adults, rings clear as a bell and is keenly pathetic. Then, when Lydia has finished testifying that she went to see the national Leader only to beg for her husband's reprieve from sentence of death, sudden sensation comes from an announcement that the husband has just hanged himself in his cell. One long spate of charge and countercharge is cut short by fierce excitement when a bomb detonates through the Court-room's window. Another well-written passage of Left-

Right argument quickens into tension when a guard is caught handing Lydia a secret message, to be swallowed before they can snatch it away. And when the prisoners seem helpless under the weight of false evidence, the wheel of truth turns sharply, bringing to light, from a neutral witness, facts that blow the persecution's case sky-high.

The prisoners nevertheless stay doomed, since this is a political trial in a totalitarian State: and it is at this point that Mr. Rice frankly decides to throw possibility to the romantic winds. He stages a counter-revolution which, the accused five minutes before the twelfth hour, brings about a happy ending and differs from old-time melodrama only in that robe and revolver replace cloak and sword. with all the suspense, fury and excitement, the scene with the most tension is one that owes nothing to contrivance and is more than possible. The judges are being hectored and threatened by the General, and the two among them who respect the Law are standing out against their colleagues. The defence of conscience and tradition, as uttered by the older of the upright judges and finely delivered by Mr. Hubert Harben, is impressive and memorable.

Each of the other judges (Messrs. Douglas Jefferies, Ronald Adam, George Woodbridge, and Charles Quartermaine) is both a type and a clear-cut individual. And each of twenty other players receives a distinctive part. Miss Catherine Lacey gives a moving and sensitive performance as Lydia; Mr. Eric Berry, the Khitov, employs fervent argument that is disciplined to stay this side of ranting; Mr. Phillip Leaver puts clever detail into the degenerate agent provocateur; Miss Freda Jackson all but brings down the house with well-timed bravura in the witness-box; Miss Gipsy Ellis makes much of stupidity and Mr. Neville Brook of volubility; young Miss Glynis Johns, as the daughter, takes her chance

with both hands. The production by Mr. Murray Macdonald, who has kept the crowded scene clear of confusion, is altogether admirable.







REGINALD GOSSE, DAN TOBIN

PRISCILLA IN PARIS

people to pay perfectly good money to listen to such tripe! True, it was wittily presented and marvellously acted, but from beginning to end it was nakedly, unashamedly, and most fulsomely eulogistic. Several times during the evening I wanted to get on my hind legs and amiably remark, "That be damned for a whopper!", and only the fact that I had not paid for my seat myself restrained me. I will not tell you which scenes urged me to make

such unsolicited testimonial, since I walk in wholesome fear of my Dorland pals, but I was hard put to it to remain the perfect little lady that I occasionally pretend to be. The most famous theatrical stars of Paris, such as Mistinguett, Cecile Sorel, Arletty, Michel Simon, Dorinoh, bother! Take any French daily paper, look at the theatrical ads., and the top-line names can be tacked on to the list that I'm too short of space on this page to finish. Serge Lifar, inspired by Honegger's dynamic music, composed a new ballet to the glory of a certain make of aluminium. It was a rather poor affair, but then, so is aluminium a poor metal. Jacqueline Delubac appeared as a cure for indigestion: the divine frock she wore was also a cure for defective vision. Some Japanese jugglers illustrated the virtues of a well-known brand of rice, and—but why continue? The uses of advertisement may be sweet, but they are also boring. You may infer from all this that advertising is not my long suit. People often say to me, and the envy suggested by the tone of voice used enrages me beyond bearing: "I suppose you never have to pay a cent for frocks or food or any of the fun of the fair? You only have to write it all up in your letter"! I have given up trying to contradict this impression, which is an utterly erroneous one, but I am rather glad that

Sacha's revue has given me quite a good opportunity to say so once again.

But to return to Sacha's latest, perhaps I ought to say that the proceeds of the

ought to say that the proceeds of the first, and gala, performance were given to charity, and that all the money made by the ten performances will also be made over to the coffers that provide for Them as Needs It. Only ten performances. For all the stars concerned, the shorter these runs the merrier. They have had to sandwich their appearance between, or before, or after, their nightly work at the theatres where they happen to be playing, and not even head-liners can fuse the bulb at both ends with impunity.

This week we have also had the première of the "Cotton Club" show at the Moulin Rouge. Certainly Teddy Hill's orchestra is a wow for noise and rhythm, and for 'em-as-likes-that-sort-of-music it is by far the best band in town. Two dancers, Freddy and Ginger, ambitiously billed as "the Astaire and Rogers of Harlem," are not quite as good as their producer would like us to think they are, but still, they 're good enough. British visitors to Paris who have never been to New York will spend an amusing evening at this show, but the connaisseurs who know their Harlem will murmur, "Why did they send their understudies over?

Older people who like to take their pleasures sadly had better go to the Odéon and see the revival of La Dame aux Camélias, Suzv Prim. who is so strangely the physical counterpart of Sarah Bernhardt when she was in her middle thirties, is playing the part. If you remember seeing la divine Sarah in the rôle that she made famous fifteen years after the creator of the part, Mme Doche, had muffed it, you had better not go to see Suzy; but if you have merely seen Tallulah Bankhead, then go by all means. Although Suzy Prim belongs to a generation that only glimpsed the great actress during the last years of her life, she has the feeling for the part and her interpretation is more than bearable.—Priscilla.



MONIQUE ROLLAND, ONE OF PARIS'S YOUNGEST AND CLEVEREST

Monique is barely twenty, but she has already reached nearly to the stratosphere on the stage and the screen. Her latest appearance has been with Rip in his amusing revue at Les Deux Ânes

HAT a busy boy our Sacha Guitry is, Très Cher! No sooner is he through with the launching of his film, Les Perles de la Couronne (how is it doing in London, by the way-that is to say, if it is doing?), than he blossoms out anew as a revue writer, and, such is the power of his name and reputation, the stalls and boxes for the first performance were easily disposed of for sums that varied between one thousand to twenty-five thousand francs. It is true that this affair was one of the biggest advertising stunts that has ever been pulled off, and I imagine that, for its sheer gall and cheek, the success of the venture must have made a whole army of advertisement touts squirm with envy. Imagine a revue entitled Shout It on the Rooftops, of which every tableau is in honour of Somebody's Synthetic Sauce, Thingummy's Tummy Tablets, Ned Rat's Pest Poison, Machin's Mortar Mixer, or Nemo's Nuts, the Nitwit Food. And imagine getting



A BRILLIANT TABARIN DEMOISELLE

Grace Brilliant's name suits her quite well, for that is what she is. The Tabarin Girls are the same thing to Paris as the lovely Ziegfeld Follies are to New York. It is recommended by a sure hand ("Priscilla") that the show at the Tabarin should not be missed by British visitors doing Paris for the Exposition now well and truly open

STARS OFF THEIR COURSES



GRACE MOORE AND HER HUSBAND, VALENTIN PARERA, RELAX IN OLD MEXICO

Hotel Plaza Ensenada, in Old Mexico, and were doing nothing in particular, but doing it very well. Grace Moore makes everyone look twice at her on or off the films. Charlie Chaplin and Paulette Goddard still prefer to keep the world guessing as to their wedding date, and with them are Betty Hill and the well-known director, King Vidor. Sonja Henie has swept everyone off their feet by her entirely charming performance in "One In a Million," which opened at the Regal, Marble Arch, on June 18. We all knew how she could skate, but few, till now, that she could also act. It is

a film none of us ought to miss. The pretty littledemoiselle Simone Simon is still hard at

The two groups of constellations at the

top were at a restful place called the

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work on "Ladies in Love" and "Seventh Heaven" for Twentieth Century-Fox. The two titles have not necessarily any connection



LOOKING AT YOU-



AND CHARLIE CHAPLIN

SONJA HENIE AND TYRONE POWER WERE PHOTOGRAPHED AT A FIGHT

MR. ALAN RENWICK, MRS. EDMONDS AND COLONEL SIR GEOFFREY BYASS



Society goes 1837 for the Royal Cardiff Infirmary Centenary Ball

Over 1000 people attended the recent Royal Cardiff Infirmary Centenary Ball, held at the Marquess and Marchioness of Bute's Welsh home. See left for the Secretary of the Ball, Mr. Alan Renwick, who wore the very outfit which adorned the holder of his office in 1837. Sir Geoffrey Byass commands the now mechanised Glamorganshire Yeomanry



LORD AND LADY ROBERT CRICHTON-STUART OBLIGING THE CAMERA

There was a very big house-party at Cardiff Castle for the Infirmary Ball, among family representatives being Lord Robert Crichton-Stuart, Lord and Lady Bute's second son, and his wife, who was Lady Janet Montgomerie before her marriage. Lord Sempill (below) and his seventeen-year-old débutante daughter, the Hon. Ann Forbes-Sempill, were also staying at Cardiff Castle. Lord Sempill needs no bush as a very leading figure in the flying world, one whose vast technical knowledge has rendered unforgettable service to British aviation



LADY AILWYN AND LORD CARNEGIE

There were very few people content with mere looking on when Cardiff Castle staged the Infirmary Centenary Ball, and dancing went on until dawn was not so far Lord Carnegie, seen here taking the floor with Lady Ailwyn, married the younger daughter of the late Princess Royal Duchess of Fife in 1923; he and Lady Maud Carnegie have a house in London, but spend a good deal of the year in Kincardineshire. Photographs of Lord and Lady Mansfield and family appear on page 595



LORD AND LADY MANSFIELD

THE MARQUESS AND MARCHIONESS OF

Cardiff. Castle's host and hostess did their part nobly at the Ball, not only by seeing to it that guests had a fine time but also by giving a good lead in the dressing-up line. Lord Bute's disguise had decorated his ancestor, the second Marquess, at a "rout" given at the family seat in 1834, the object of this party being to get money to found the Cardiff Infirmary, which was duly completed and opened three years later. Lady Bute's dress was also thoroughly effective Photographs: Truman Howell



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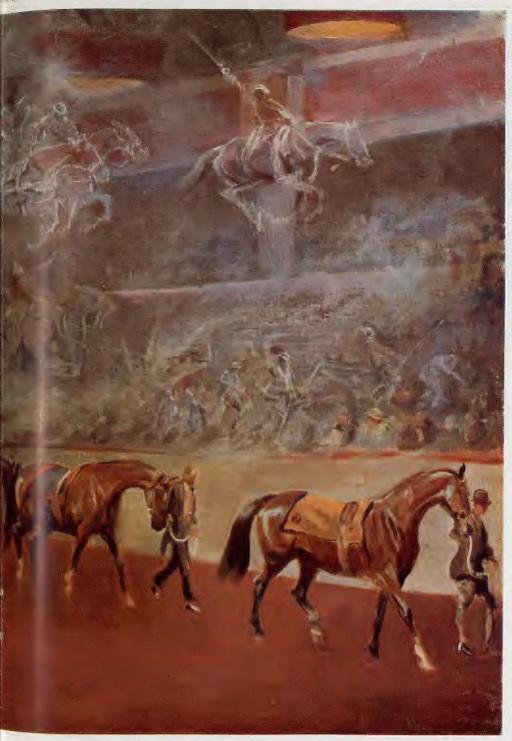
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A MEMORY OF THE VETERA

The parade of the rapidly diminishing band of veterans of the Great War has always been a very touching feature of the International Horse Show at Olympia, held this year from June 17 to 26, and, as ever, a tremendous attraction to a public which, in spite of the "mechanisation" craze, is fonder of the horse and of learning how to ride him than probably it has ever been, even in the days when petrol and the motor car had not been heard of. The artist caught the atmosphere of things as they were most admirably. It is probable that after the next war

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N WAR HORSES AT OLYMPIA RD SEAGO

there will be no horse veterans and that all that the public may get will be a parade of battle-scarred armoured cars, the things into which British cavalry are being put in the belief that they will do the work better and more speedily. Some of our Continental rivals do not seem to believe that dehorsing all their cavalry is such a good idea as the supporters of mechanisation seem to think. It is easy enough to teach a man to drive an armoured vehicle or a tank, but it takes a good bit of time to turn him into an efficient cavalry soldier, ready to fight on and off his horse

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RARE OLD CANADIAN WHISKEY









WE ARE DEFINITELY NOT AMUSED

THE STORM PASSES

LADY MULVINA MURRAY SAYS PLEASE

These photographs of the Earl and Countess of Mansfield and their son and daughter, Viscount Stormont and Lady Mulvina Murray, were taken in Cadogan Square at the home of Lady Mansfield's mother, the Hon. Lady Carnegie. A depression centred over the proceedings at one moment, but things were soon set fair again for Mulvina, who generally looks on the bright side. She is not yet eighteen months old, but her brother attains the ripe age of seven in July. Lord Mansfield, Member for Perth from 1931 until he succeeded in 1935, has made a great study of wild bird life and is chairman of the British Trust for Ornithology. He is also very knowledgeable on farming. Through her father, the late the Rt. Hon.

Sir Lancelot Carnegie, Lady Mansfield is a niece of the Earl of Southesk



THE RADLEY XI. WHICH BEAT THE SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE AMATEURS

The School side gave the South Oxfordshire something to be getting on with in their recent encounter, as, after dismissing them for 41, they went in and made 187 for 8,

The names in the above picture are (back; 1. to r.): the Hon. H. R. Grosvenor (Lord Ebury's brother),

R. G. Atkins, R. W. A. Ruck-Keene, S. L. G. Medrington, M. Constantine-Smith and A. M. Campbell.

(In front) I. G. Mackarness, F. Falkiner, D. T. M. Birks (captain), H. W. McIntosh and D. N. Sell

T is possible—in fact, it is quite certain—that we have no reason whatever to be proud of our own neo-journalism, but compared to some excursions in a similar direction on the Continent of Europe, ours is as a real bowl of roses. It strikes me that when anyone fires the kind of ammunition which has recently been fired at our respected veteran, The Thunderer, the kick must be more damaging to the shooter than anything that comes out of the barrel. One of the guides of my life, De La Rochefoucauld, who is quite as good a philosopher as Omar Khayyam and not very unlike him, wrote in his Maximes Morales: "Those who apply themselves too much to little things usually become incapable of great things." I recommend the consideration of this and many other of the

AT THE ENGLAND v. AUSTRALIA WOMEN'S CRICKET MATCH

As will be gathered from the expressions on the faces of this group taken on the first day of the Women's Test Match at Northampton, the weather was not all your fancy paints. Australia eventually won a good fight by 31 runs

The names in the group are (in front; 1, to n); Mrs. P. Argenti (a former Parliamentary candidate for Northampton), Mrs. R. Ashton, Mrs. Leveson-Gower, Lord Spencer, Mrs. S. Schillizzi and Canon Smalley Law. (Behind) Mr. S. Schillizzi (President), Northants Cricket Club), Mr. H. D. G. Leveson-Gower and Mr. R. Ashton (prospective Conservative candidate for Kettering)

Pictures in the Fire

Maximes to the "artist" who lives in the same country that gave Michael Angelo birth. I am sure that a course of the great Frenchman would do that "artist." and some of his friends, a great deal of good.

It might also help these little men if they remembered that the old Tent-Maker of Naishapursaid, "Think that in this battered caravanserai, whose doorways are alter-nate Night and Day, Sultán, with his pomp, abides his hour or two, and goes his

way." It is so true. Perhaps, however, De La Rochefoucauld and Omar are closed books to

people who can draw pictures such as the one upon which I am gazing at the moment. Unhappily, this sort of thing is not new, for during the late war and the South African campaign of 1899 onwards, cartoons appeared in certain Continental organs which I should think the average person would find it somewhat difficult to live down.

In the same charming paper we are reminded that the people of its land owned Great Britain as a colony 2000 years ago. That, of

course, is quite correct. At the same time, let us remember that Romulus and Remus, aided by the She-wolf founded Rome in the year A.U.C. I. that Castor and Pollux came to the rescue of the Roman cavalry at the Battle of Lake Regillus, 497 B.C., and that it is quite a time ago since Cæsar's matchless Tenth Legion left the world agape by its incomparable valour. These ancient dates seem to me to be quite as apposite as the one 2000 years ago, of which we are so acidly reminded.

In this connection it is somewhat surprising that we have not



AT THE ANGLO-POLISH DINNER

The Anglo-Polish Society's recent dinner at the Waldorf drew many distinguished representatives of both countries, and here are two of them— the Rt. Hon. W. S. -Morrison, the Minister of Agriculture, and the Countess Raczynski, wife of the Polish Ambassador in London



Poole, Dublin GOING RACING IN "THE PHAYNIX"

Two well-known patrons of the Meath seen at that pleasant course in Phœnix Park, Mrs. P. Dunne-Cullinan and Lady Fingall. Both their husbands are well-known present and past G.R.s, the former Lord Killeen not now riding 'chases as was his wont

By "SABRETACHE"



AT THE ANGLO-POLISH DINNER Mrs. W. S. Morrison and the Polish Am-bassador, Count Edward Raczynski, their respective spouses being set forth in this Picture's opposite number on the other page.

H.E. and his wife are very popular units of
London's Diplomatic assemblage

had a thing called a Diplomatic Representationusually something rather rude -in connection with one of the best plays running in London at the moment. This play presents a situation in which two persons are about to be condemned upon suborned testimony-all the judges of the foreign court are suggested as being in the plot up to the neck. Suddenly, when a person who is called "The Leader" comes into court, one of the judges whips out an automatic and shoots the Leader stonedead. The judge is presented as

one of the former and more aristocratic régime, and as the only person who will not stand for the destruction of innocent

persons upon obviously perjured evidence. Happily, as perhaps we may be permitted to view it, the talented author of this extremely engrossing play is an American, but the cast is an all-English one. If the author had also been English, I suppose we should have had to prepare for to-morrow morning.



Poole, Dublin MORE IRISH RACEGOERS

Dr. "Jim" Magennis finding winners for Lady Nixon and her sister-in-law, Miss Kathleen Nixon, at the recent Phoenix Park meeting. Dr. Magennis won the Irish Cesarewitch with Galli-Galli two years ago and none of the finer points of racing escapes him

We have grown so accustomed to girding at American cinema " perdoocers" taking liberties with our English history that we seem to have got a bit careless ourselves, and in the intriguing foreword explaining to us what they are going to do at a pageant which brings in the decisive action re Bosworth Field, I observe they start off by asking, "Who crowned King Richard the Third?"—after the battle, as I gather. If, on the other hand, they mean before the battle, the answer is the same—" No one!" The gentleman in question pinched the crown and put it on his own head a considerable time before Bosworth: after that battle he was never crowned at all, for, in the terse language of the Earl of Richmond, the "bloody dog" was dead. However, I think we are due for a quotation from the "general instruction general instructions " issued about this pageant: WHO CROWNED KING RICHARD

THE THIRD? Debatable Pageant Scene Involving the Earl of Derby's Coat of Arms.

A daring alteration in the text of Shakespeare's play Richard the Third will be made by the Pageant producer. In



THE SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE AMATEURS

The soft-hearted intelligencer says that this side did not do too well against Radley. The

her activities that the boys laid it out stone-cold: all out 41 and then the School made 187 for 8 (dec.)

The names in the group are (back): S. J. M. Mills, S. F. F. Porey, E. J. S. Coupland, W. D. Scott, D. A. Kelly and L. A. Gardner, (In front) W. Picton Warlow, R. H. Plumptre, Malcolm Elwin (captain), M. H. M. Gilbertson and R. B. Cole

the Battle of Bosworth scene of the play, Richard's crown, found in a hawthorn bush, is placed on the Earl of Richmond's head by Lord Stanley. In the Pageant, the producer makes Sir Reginald Bray, a Surrey notability, perform this historic action, and the lines allotted by Shakespeare to Lord Stanley are given by Mr. Ede to Sir Reginald Bray. Authority for this procedure is a new book, The Place of Surrey in the History of England, by F. J. C. Hearnshaw, Litt.D., LL.D.

Lord Stanley was an ancestor of the Earl of Derby, so if it was really Sir Reginald Bray who crowned King Richard, the College of Heralds may have to raise a query about the Derby coat of arms, in which the device of a knight's helmet and a crown appears to be an allusion to the Battle of Bosworth.

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THE C .- IN-C. WINS AT THE SIMLA HORSE SHOW

Lady Cassels is giving her husband, General Sir Robert Cassels, the prize for the Novice Hacks at this always jolly show held at Annandale, Simla's race-course, polo ground, and general play-place. It is situated in a cup of deodar-clad hills, is extremely pretty and has first-class and select little club of its own. Sir Robert Cassels has been Commander-in-Chief since 1935



"THE MERRY WIVES" OF REGENT'S PARK

Nothing daunts Mr. Sydney Carroll, and everyone hopes that our unfair weather god is going to be fair to him. Above you see Violet Vanbrugh as Mistress Ford, Roy Byford as Falstaff, and Irene Vanbrugh as Mistress Page in the exvanoright as wisitess rage in the ex-tremely beautiful opening performance of "The Merry Wives of Windsor" last week in Queen Mary's Gardens, Regent's Park

WELL - KNOWN playwright was writing a new play for an actress who thought a great deal of herself, and for weeks she had been pestering the poor man to tell her something about the plot. He was adamant, however, and refused to give any hint away.

"Well, you might at least tell me this," said the actress at last. "Does my new part give me a

chance to please my public?"
"Oh, yes, I should think so," came the bored reply; "you see, you die in the first act." *

A man returning from a shooting expedition entered a country pub. for a drink; and lying on the floor near him he saw a retriever. "Nice - looking dog you have

there," he remarked to the owner. "Ah," replied the owner, "he's the best anywhere round here, I

can tell yer. "Has he been trained to the

gun ? " queried the other.
" Gun—gun!" snorted the other, with the utmost contempt, "You wouldn't want any gun if you owned him. He can catch 'em!"

Father," asked the young hopeful, "is it true that a

man is known by the company he keeps?"
"Yes, my boy," replied his parent.
"Well, father," persisted the child, "if a good man keeps company with a bad man, is the good man bad because he keeps company with the bad man, or is the bad man good because he keeps company with the good man?"

BUBBLE AND SQUEAK

Two men were discussing money and the mysterious way it went. One of them mysterious way it went. One of them said, "A good deal depends on the formation of early habits."

"Don't I know it," replied the other.

"When I was young my mother paid a woman to push me about in a pram, and I 've been pushed for money ever since." * *

The scene was a Hollywood film studio.
Thousands of "extras," attired as French revolutionaries storming the Bastille, filled the middle distance.

In the foreground, on a rostrum, was the director, bawling through a megaphone.

"We're going to do this over and over again—until the guy shouting 'whoopee' decides to co-operate."

An efficient young woman was walking along the street one day, on her way to her work, when she saw a large car rolling slowly down the street, without a driver.

Without hesitation, she ran out, hopped on to therunning board, and applied the brake. The car stopped and the girl began looking round for the driver.

Just then a man appeared on the pavement, and she said to him, "Is this your

The man said it was.

"Well," said the young woman, "it was rolling down the street.

"I know it was, miss," the man said, wistfully, "I was pushing it."

A negro sailor was admitted to a hospital in the West Indies, butsoonrecovered from his ailment. He liked hospital life so much, however, that nothing would induce him to leave the establishment. He simulated illnesses so cleverly that the doctors could not get past him.

At last a new doctor came and was told the facts of the case. He immediately went to see the patient and

began to measure him. The negro looked on with interest and asked why he was being measured.

"You can never recover," replied the medico, "and we are too merciful to allow patients to linger long in such suffering. I am taking your measurements for a coffin.

The sailor left the same day.



FRANCES DAY IN "FLOODLIGHT"

Mr. Beverley Nichols' new revue, after a preliminary canter at Blackpool, where it commenced its adventures on June 9 for a run of ten days, opens at our Saville Theatre in London on June 23. Clever Frances Day's opposite number is John Mills, and Hermione Baddeley and Lyle Evans are in support

BEAUTY IN THE SUN

Basking on the beach or sipping a cocktail on the terrasse—it's wonderful how rapid the transition—how easily she slips from one rôle to another! Elizabeth Arden preparations safeguard her skin. For those who wish to tan gracefully Elizabeth Arden recommends Ideal Suntan Oil, which keeps the skin smooth and lustrous. Ardena Sunpruf Cream prevents sunburn or blistering, and enables you to regulate your tan to exactly the correct depth of colour. Ardena Protecta Cream dispels any danger of freckling: while Eight Hour Cream alleviates the irritation if sunburning has already taken place. Last there's the question of lovely legs: and the loveliest legs gain added beauty from Velva Beauty Film.

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THE R.A.F. TEAM U. THE NAVY

H.R.H. the Duke of Gloucester, in spite of his not having played polo for a long time, very sportingly turned out for the R.A.F. v. the Royal Navy for the annual contest for the Duke of York's Cup at Ranelagh. The Air Force were beaten 11 — 3. H.R.H. is on the left of the picture. The others are Fit.-Lt. R. L. Bradford, Air Vice-Marshal J. E. A. Baldwin and Fit.-Lt. C. E. Hill

HE Inter-Regimental, as usual, is proving to be the best show of the whole Polo year, from the point of view of honest-to-goodness fighting. We may never have such a milky way of stars engaged as in some more pretentious contests, but they are all triers, every Man-Jack of them, and they all represent something tangible which the public can understand. An old friend of mine, whom I christened "The Mariner" (Captain W. P. Koe, R.N., a brother-in-law of Major Rattle Barrett), once told me a very good yarn which, I think, is rather apposite to things as we find them at the moment in the Polo world.

Once upon a time there was a very wicked man who had been put outside for doing something which the baser sort amongst racing men sometimes do. As he leant over the rails of the sanctity from which he had been expelled, watching the runners for a G. R. 'chase being paraded, he said with a world of terrible bitterness in his voice: "Fourteen bloomin' Captins ridin' and all of 'em tryin'! 'Yow can yer bet?" That is exactly how it is in this Inter-Regimental, and if sometimes things

get a bit hearty, and we see people having a mounted combat long after the battle has swept past them, and may think it a bit futile of them knocking the wind out of their ponies in a no-purpose bumping match, such zeal warms the cockles of our hearts. These regimental sides put it all in every time, win or lose, and you could never hear of one expressing the intention to scratch, because on paper it has not a celluloid cat's chance in Gehenna. I am perfectly certain that no one has ever heard any unit of a regimental side say: "It's all bilge playing against the Tail-Twisters! If I consent to play at all, I shall only go out and canter about!' It would be a bit intriguing to discover what would happen to any chap who dared to say that before going into action in an Inter-Regimental tie. I am sure that he would be apt to die the death of a thousand cuts, and even then some. Herein resides the great attraction of regimental polo.

Let us just take one instance: this Royals and Life Guards tie in this year's Inter-Regimental. On paper the Household Cavalry knew that they had not a dog's chance; they were 6½ goals shy on handicap, but did they throw their hand in when it was 5-0 against them half-way over, or show any sign of getting their tails down, even though defeat was absolutely certain? They did not! They fought it out right back to the ropes, and in the last two chukkers were as full of pugnacity as when they started. Major A. H.

POLO NOTES

By "SERREFILE"

Ferguson's two goals were peaches, especially the one he got from every inch of a 60-yard range, when the battle was still going as fast as it could. Their No. 1 also never lost heart, as well he might have against such a formidable defence. This is the stuff the public want to see, and they have no use at all for people who say: "We won't play because we can't win!"

The Life Guards' side has a bit of a way to go before it is what they want it to be, but unless

I am growing blind in my ancient days, they have got the right ingredients. First of all they all ride well, and that is 50 per cent. of a beginning: they are very well mounted taking it all round, even though one or two of their ponies want drafting; they have a good bit vet to learn about tactics. but there is one thing they do know, and that is that it is drill that in the end must bore a hole in the enemy's They were defences. rarely out of their places, and next season they are going much higher up. It has taken even that subtle alchemist. Benito, more than a day or two to start rebuilding Rome. Therefore, felicitations and good luck in the future!



CAPTAIN PAT ROARK AND MRS. A. D. WIGGAN

A snapshot just before The Knaves, for whom Captain Roark played, were beaten by The Jaguars in the recent Roehampton Handicap cup tie As to other Internegimental happenings, some people think that the decisive battle of the war was fought when the 10th Hussars beat the 12th Lancers (holders) (Continued on page XX)



THE ROYAL NAVY TEAM v. THE R.A.F.

The Navy had all their last year's good Inter-Regimental team bar Major R. A. R. Neville, R.M., and it did not bother them very much to win against a rather weak R.A.F. side in the Duke of York's Cup, established in 1928 by His Majesty the King The names in the above group are: Lt. Comdr. E. G. Heywcod-Lonsdale, Comdr. C. E. Lambe, Comdr. Lord Louis Mountbatten and Comdr. E. W. B. Sim



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MISS KAY STAMMERS

One of Britain's brightest hopes at Wimbledon, the preliminary engagements for which have started. Amongst Miss Kay Stammers' victims in the past have been Mrs. Helen Wills Moody, Miss Dorothy Round, Miss Helen Jacobs and Miss Scriven

ANOTHER Wimbledon is here once more. By the time these words appear in print, the first day's clearing-house process will be completed, and Ladies' Day, as the Tuesday of the first week is always

called, will have followed, doing its quota in turn towards thinning the ranks and separating the tennis lions and lionesses from their fellow sheep. For lawn tennis is specifically not a game where the lions are to be found lying down with the lambs. On the other hand, it is a game where wolves are often to be found in sheeps' clothing, and it may well be that several of those players of both sexes who expected to skim through the first week like frigates in full sail will find their careers surprisingly terminated by players from distant parts of the country (who only play in one tournament a year) or from far-off corners of the earth, of whose prowess they had no previous consciousness and hence no previous respect. "Wimbledon Surprise," the evening placards will read inevitably once again, and if I could, so to speak, spend a penny

in advance, I would be rash enough to prophesy that the headline might easily read: "Helen Jacobs falls to unknown player. Miss X, who is making her first appearance at Wimbledon, caused a sensation this afternoon by putting out the champion, who was clearly out of touch, and seemed to be in considerable pain from her shoulder. . . ."

After all, there was nearly such a sensation a couple of years ago when, on an outside court, Helen Jacobs found herself a set down, and four-all in the second, in her match with Joan Ingram, who until that day had a reputation only as a doubles player. I watched that match and I shall always remember the moment of suspense and excitement when, with a point for a five-four lead in the second set, the English girl cleverly dragged her famous opponent into the forecourt with a slow, sliding-away shot and then lobbed. Miss Jacobs, completely defeated, turned with the same movement as the spectators, to see the ball fall—two inches outside the base-line. A sigh of disappointment from the patriotic crowd. A sigh of relief from the reprieved player, who from that moment dominated the rest of the match. But if she had lost that game, I believe that she would have lost the match, just as I believe that if she can survive the first two rounds, she may again figure in the final, since she is one of those players who play increasingly well as the meeting proceeds, imbibing new strength, new courage, new inspiration from

LAWN TENNIS :: "RABBIT"

each victory, whether it takes place on the Centre Court or far out in the green wilderness stretching away behind the yew hedges.

I often think how much the spectators at Wimbledon miss by religiously sticking, in both meanings of the word, to their seats in the Centre Court all the afternoon. It is nothing more than another form of that snobbery which cannot see that the Best Matches do not necessarily take place always in front of the Best Seats. On the contrary, especially in the first week, a large proportion of the struggles best worth watching from a spectator's point of view happen as likely on Court 10 as they do on Court 1. It is a pity that this tennis truth is not more widely realised, because there are so many enthusiasts for the game who are put off ever paying a visit to Wimbledon by the feeling that, as they do not possess a ticket for the Centre Court, they will, if they do pay a visit on chance, see nothing more of the play than the electric score-boards outside the Centre Court, which some liken to a giant aeroplane hangar and others to Paradise. As with everything else in life, it is all a question of your point of view.

Personally, if I did not possess a ticket for the Centre Court, I should be just as eager to make a daily pilgrimage to Wimbledon, certain of seeing at least one match on an outside court, and in comfort, too, that would more than recompense me for the journey, the passage through the turnstiles, and the expenditure of the very few shillings necessary to obtain entrance to the ground. And I only hope

that what I have written here may catch the eye of some of those who in the past have surrendered the project of "spectatoring" without a struggle. I promise them they are missing a lot of fun by being so unnecessarily nervous of the crowds, which are never really exhausting, except the stupid section that eternally all afternoon eddies round the players' entrance, hoping for a sight of Borotra or Budge or Bunny Austin, followed by signing-on-the-dotted-line tableau, complete with autograph books. My advice is, (Continued on page xxIII)



MISS GEM HOAHING AT HURLINGHAM

The famous little lady from Japan playing in the preliminary knock-out ties for Wimbledon. Miss Gem Hoahing defeated Mrs. A. S. Bligh 6-3, 6-4 without much effort



In the winter the Home Secretary keeps fit by skating; in the summer he plays lawn tennis equally hard. At Lady Crosfield's tennis party at West Hill, Highgate, Sir Samuel Hoare played in a doubles match with Mr. Asthalter, an American Wimbledon player, against the famous Mr. Norman Brooks and Lord Aberdare

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DISCUSSING A FLYING TRIP

Miss Dorothy Spicer (left), one of England's best-known women aviation engineers, with her partner, Miss Pauline Gower. Down at Hayling Island Miss Spicer is daily to be found working away among aero engines, dressed in overalls and as happy as possible. Sir Robert Gower's daughter is the pilot of this successful partnership

in honour of the spectators, that Wimbledon elbow and Brooklands knee are as nothing to Hendon neck. A few moments at Hendon would teach the greatest admirers of the American slanguage—even Mr. H. E. Wimperis himself—the inaccuracy of the term "rubberneck." From personal experience I should say that the Hendon neck feels as if it is entirely composed of those flint chippings they lay on the roads. Already I feel that flinty effect, for I have been going out to various aerodromes and watching the state of the special services of

It is difficult, before the event, to estimate the spectacular value of the programme. The new item is the formation flight of 250 aeroplanes, but I cannot foretell exactly how effective this is likely to be. It is certainly a great feat of organisation and, for those who are impressed by numbers, it is certainly impressive. Personally, I would prefer to see some really quick, individual aerobatics, but I admit that modern aeroplanes are unsuited to them. Their translational speed is so high that they cannot be

snapped into stunts in the manner favoured by the old masters of aerobatics. The result is that a loop and half-roll out at the top in a modern single-seater fighter takes about three-quarters of an hour and a cubic mile of sky.

Hatfield.

At Hatfield, those who are avid of aerobatics are more likely to see the real stuff than at Hendon. But there again the majority of the machines are enormously fast—too fast for aerobatics. Consequently, even the experts like Flight Lieutenant C. S. Staniland are limited. But Hatfield makes up in technical interest anything it lacks in other ways, and this year the Society of British Aircraft Constructors

AIR EDDIES : OLIVER STEWART

Displayviation. ISPLAY days are upon us again. On Saturday at Hendon and on Monday and Tuesday at Hatfield we shall be looking upward, watching the pilots of the purple twilight tearing off large chunks of aviation. And let it always be remembered



THE LATE MR. R. J. MITCHELL, C.B.E.

The untimely death, at the age of forty-two, of Mr. Reginald Joseph Mitchell, C.B.E., is a terrible loss to aeronautical science, for he was rightly regarded as the world's greatest designer of high-speed aircraft. As director and chief designer to the Supermarine Aviation Works (Vickers), Ltd., he was responsible for all the aircraft produced by them since 1920. The Schneider Trophy winners of 1922, 1927, 1929, and 1931 were the result of his genius, and one of his latest designs was the Supermarine "Spitfire," the fastest aeroplane ordered for the expanded R.A.F. Mr. Mitchell, who was Staffordshire born, was a chief engineer at twenty-five. In 1931—the year in which his Vickers-Supermarine S6b, with the Rolls-Royce racing engine, set up a world's speed record of 407½ miles an hour soon after winning the Schneider Trophy—he was made a C.B.E. for his inestimable services to British aviation

Ministry has now thrown the British public an unwanted scrap of information. It has released for publication a few details of five important British military machines? (Contl. on page ii)

is putting on a show which, I think, will shake the complacency of our most confident foreign guests. There can be no doubt that in the fashionable matter of translational speed, British aeroplanes are at the moment pre-eminent.

As for aerobatics, a lesson was given to British pilots at the York International by Herr Wendel. In a Bücker Jungmeister he showed what can be done and evoked memories of the days of Armstrong and the Camel. He showed that a flick roll is still a heart-stopper when done low enough, and that the much-publicised theory that it is "bad flying" is simply the outcome of the jealousy of British pilots who are incapable of doing it themselves or whose machines prevent them from doing it. No; aerobatics as a spectacle are impossible without an aerobatic aeroplane. The modern single-seater fighter, with its high translational speed and relative slowness on the controls, is unsuited to spectacular aerobatics.

Speed Secrets.

A bout a fortnight before the R.A.F. Display date the Air Ministry suddenly decided that it could trust the British public with some—not all—of the information it had

already given to Field-Marshal von Blomberg and his staff of German air force officers. The Air Ministry is a vulgarian in that it will fawn upon anyone with a high-sounding title, especially if he comes from abroad, whereas it will treat with contempt the people of its own country and more especially those who have proved themselves its friend in the past. So it comes about that Air Ministry "secrets" are freely revealed to German air force officers, while they are kept from the British public. But the Air



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THE VICOMTESSE DE SIBOUR

Photographed with her agreeable small daughter Jacqueline. The Vicomtesse de Sibour, who is Mr. Gordon Selfridge's youngest daughter, is just about as keen on flying as her airman husband, and they have made many long air trips together, both on the Continent and farther afield





HE curtain fell, and Sabino, the applause lingering pleasantly in his ears, made his way slowly towards his dressing-room. The stage-door keeper waylaid him.

"There's a gent. askin' to see you, Mr. Sabiner," he said.
"Name of Spray. Said you wouldn't know 'im, but 'e looks

Sabino looked at the proffered card. No profession and an address in Kensington. "Very well," he said indifferently. "For five prints"." ently. " For five minutes.

The door-keeper's description was not out of place, for the man who entered Sabino's dressing-room a moment later was a florid-faced individual of middle age. From his appearance he might have been an organiser of charity matinées in search of star performers gratis, and Sabino, card-trick expert and knife-thrower, had had more than enough of such. So he greeted his visitor with some reserve.

"It's good of you to see me, Mr. Sabino," began the stranger riskly. "And I'm not going to waste your valuable time in briskly. paying you empty compliments. Everyone knows that your performance is unique.

Sabino bowed acknowledgment-it sounded like a charity matinée.

"When I say everyone," Spray continued, "I mean everybody I know except one.'

Sabino raised his eyebrows. The remark was unexpected. "You interest me, Señor," he murmured, "but I fear you exaggerate.

"No," answered Spray firmly. "Only one, as far as I know—a friend of mine. We saw your performance together

last week, and he maintained that your card tricks were only successful because they were done at a distance."

" What!

"He did, I assure you. We argued about it, and the discussion grew heated. He's a fellow who hates to admit himself in the wrong, and in the end I bet him quite a considerable sum that distance had nothing to do with it.

Sabino repressed a sigh. This was more ingenious than usual.

And so ? " he enquired.

"And so, Mr. Sabino, I've come to ask you, as a sportsman,

to give me the opportunity of proving my point."

The Spaniard got up. "I'm sorry, Señor," he said, "I regret infinitely, but I have done much for your hospitals already."

Hospitals?

"Yes, Señor. No doubt you and your friend will come on the stage with me, and the theatre will be filled with people who have bought programmes from ravishing young ladies with no change for a ten-shilling note."
His visitor laughed boisterously. "No, Mr. Sabino, you're

quite wrong. The theatre will be my sitting-room.

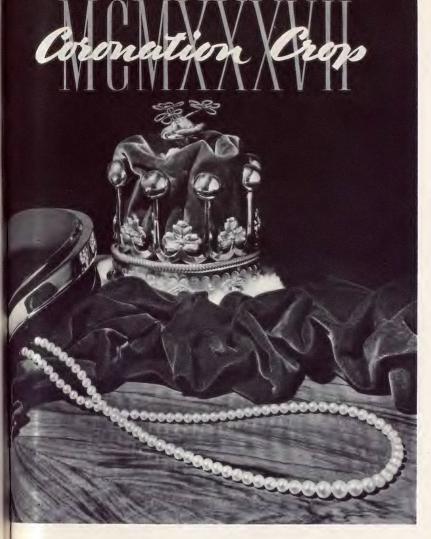
A flush stained Sabino's swarthy cheeks.

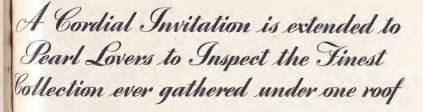
"Then it is true," he said excitedly, "there is really a—a gross, pig—excuse me, Señor—a gentleman who thinks my card tricks are a swindle?

"I'm afraid so. Then you will come? Naturally, I should be glad to pay you a fee—any sum in reason."

The Spaniard waved his hand airily. "I leave that to you, Señor. It is my professional reputation that concerns me chiefly."

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"Of course. Now, when shall it be? To-morrow night, when you have finished here?

"That will suit me admirably, Señor."

"Good. And after your triumphant demonstration we will drink a glass of wine. You have my card, haven't you?"
"I'll be there, Señor," Sabino assured him. "Hasta mañana."

It was just after half-past ten when Sabino arrived on the scene of action. He had little time to look about him, but as he walked into the sitting-room-there was a trace of stiffness in his gait-his eye took in the array of knives and weapons of all sorts adorning the walls. He hadn't connected Spray with such things, but suddenly it struck him that the room suited his host. There had been something about him the night before which puzzled him. He recognised the elusive quality now. It was ruthlessness.

There wasn't much doubt who the victim was, for, of the other three in the room, one, an obese little man with small eyes, was looking at him with ill-concealed contempt.

Sabino frowned. A gross pig, he had called him. The description was apt. Spray was making introductions—Fagg, Lawson, Beeding. So Beeding was the unbeliever. Sabino eyed him darkly. "Well," said his host genially, "we're quite ready, and my poor friend might as well get

out his cheque book at once. "When I'm convinced," growled Beeding, in a harsh voice. "Now, Mr. Sabino, or what-ever your name is, I suppose you'd like us all to go out while you plant your hidden cards about the place?"

Sabino drew himself up. "That will not be necessary, Señor," he said coldly. "I have brought nothing with me, not even a pack of cards. No doubt Señor Spray will provide one. But perhaps you would like to make sure?"

" I fully intend to," retorted Beeding, and, quite unmoved by the others' protests, he proceeded to search the fermenting Sabino's pockets methodically.

Sabino suffered the indignity in silence, and when Beeding had finished, he turned to his host.

"What do you wish me to

do, Señor?"

Spray shrugged his shoulders. "Nothing involving any apparatus, I should think," he said. Something difficult, but simple, if you see what I mean.

What about making cards vanish?" suggested Fagg.

Sabino made an impatient gesture. "No, no! That is well enough for the fair-ground, but not here."

"Ah, too difficult at close quarters, I suppose," sneered Beeding.

Spray laid a soothing hand on Sabino's sleeve, and the Spaniard, masking his annoyance, addressed his tormentor.

You saw my performance last week, Señor, I understand. Which trick was it that you found the most-er-suspicious?"

Beedingthoughtforamoment. Well, there was one in which you identified cards laid out face

downwards—or pretended to."
"Meaning?" purred Sabino.
"Meaning," Beeding told him, "that I should like to see you do the same trick with another pack of cards and with no chance of looking at the faces."

"Certainly, Señor." Spray produced a new pack, which Beeding pounced on and examined carefully.

You are wasting your time, Senor Beeding," the expert him scornfully. "There is no trick in this." told him scornfully.

The fat man looked up. "How do you mean, 'no trick'? Of course there's a trick!"

"No, Señor. It is purely a question of touch."
"Touch?" echoed Lawson.

"Yes, Señor, touch. Expert card-sharpers can identify certain cards from the backs. I can identify them all. It is a matter of developing sensitiveness in the finger-tips,' His audience looked doubtful, and Sabino smiled.

"I will show you" he said. He shuffled deftly, laid out five cards face downwards on the table, and ran his fingers over the backs of each.

"Two of spades, two of clubs, ace of hearts, knave of hearts, three of diamonds," he announced, and, turning them over, revealed the cards he had named.

Beeding's grating voice broke the admiring silence.
"It's a fake," he said. "Don't ask me how it's done, but

this is a plant between Spray and that dago mountebank. "Sangre de Dios! You shall take that back, or . . .

"Gentlemen, please . . ." put in the host appealingly. "Mr. Sabino," he went on, "I must apologise, but I warned you that my friend did not like to admit himself in the wrong." 'It's a trick," insisted Beeding sullenly. "He must have

looked at them somehow."

"Very well, Señor, Sabino, in a strangled voice, "then I will do it blindfold."

Beeding snorted contemptu-ously. "Yes - with one eye uncovered.

With an effort Sabino mastered his temper. "I am sorry, Señor Spray," he said, "but in the face of such insults . . ." But . .

"I regret, Señor. Your bet . . ." "Oh, confound my bet! What about your professional reputation?"

The Spaniard hesitated, and Spray made haste to follow up his advantage. "Look here, let's try once more, under absolutely fair conditions." thought for a moment.

have it! Beeding, you name any card you like. All right. Seven of hearts." "Good. Now, we'll do it this

way: While Mr. Sabino is out of the room, Beeding shall lay out ten cards, one of them to be the seven of hearts. You shall see him do it, Fagg. Then Mr. Sabino can come in, I will turn out the lights, and he will try to spot the card in the dark. How long will you want? Twenty seconds? Half a minute?"

"Half a minute will be ample, Señor."
"Very well. Lawson, you shall

count thirty slowly, then I'll turn the lights up. Agreed?'

"Will that satisfy Señor Beeding that the 'dago mounte-bank' is genuine?'' Sabino's voice shook with anger. Beeding grunted.

you can do it."
"Right. Seven of hearts,"
said Spray briskly.

Sabino went out. under Fagg's supervision, laid out the ten cards and leaned back in his chair watching them. Lawson stood by the mantelpiece, and Spray, close to the switch by the door, let Sabino in.

"Ready?" he called out as soon as the Spaniard had entered. "Right!"

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MRS. MARK MAKGILL-CRICHTON-MAITLAND

A portrait of the wife of Lt.-Col, Mark Makgill-Crichton-Maitland in A portrait of the wife of Lt.-Col. Mark Makgill-Crichton-Maitland in the beautiful costume in which she attended the Coronation ceremony in Westminster Abbey. Lt.-Col. Mark Makgill-Crichton-Maitland, who is a kinsman of Lord Radnor and Lord Lauderdale, retired as a Lieutenant-Colonel in the Grenadiers. Mrs. Makgill-Crichton-Maitland is a sister of Sir John Fuller, the present baronet, and a daughter of the late Sir John Fuller, formerly Governor of Victoria





CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY BOXING CLUB

Cambridge won this year's Inter-Varsity contest v. Oxford as they also did last year, and above is a group of the C.U.B.C. taken more or less recently a group of the C.U.B.C. taken more or less recently The names are (back, standing): H. F. Grunsberg (Jesus), W. Child (trainer and superintendent), A. S. D. Graesser (Caius); (second row): H. McColl (Emmanuel), J. Willow (St. John's), D. Hay (Pembroke), M. H. E. A. Baig (Trinity), N. C. G. A. Charteris (Peterhouse), and S. Cadman (Trinity), (seated): C. J. Mitchell (Jesus), A. H. Downes (Magdalene), R. B. Oppenheim (Corpus), A. P. Bentall (captain; Trinity), Mr. D. Portway (president; St. Catharine's), R. W. Hewson (Emmanuel), K. Hall (St. John's), R. F. L. Burton (Trinity), and W. B. Young (St. Catharine's)

Inexactitudes.

AM getting a little tired of hearing police constables saying in the witnessbox that they do not report for prosecution drivers who are going at a speed of less than 36 miles an hour in built-up areas. Within my own personal knowledge, this is untrue. It is not only untrue of one particular police district; it is untrue for the majority of police districts. Of course, Scotland Yard will say officially that anyone driving at any speed greater than 30 miles an hour in a built-up area is "liable" to prosecution: but these "liable" to prosecution; but these frequent statements in the witness-box tend to build up the idea that the police are so anxious to be "fair" to motorists, and so careful not to prosecute anybody who is not actually exceeding the speed limit by a big margin, that everybody who is prosecuted must be guilty.

Actually, speed-limit prosecutions for 35 miles an hour are common and prosecutions for less than this speed are not unknown. There is no justification whatever for the view that the police do not report for prosecution unless there is a six miles an hour margin. The point has been brought to my notice by more than one correspondent, and I shall hope to persuade the authorities either to instruct police officers not to report for prosecution drivers who are exceeding the 30 m.p.h.

speed limit by less than six miles an hour, or else to stop saying in the witness-box that they give this margin.

Follow-on Timing.

While I am dealing with police methods, here is another V point. On a long by-pass road, with plenty of roundabouts, some of which are anything but round, I happened to follow a police car which was being driven at a fairly fast rate. I noticed that on every straight the police car drew away from me, and puffs of smoke indicated that the gears were being used fairly vigorously. But, although I was making no attempt to give chase, at every roundabout I closed up on it. I was drifting along in top gear all the

PETROL VAPOUR

By JOHN OLIVER

time, not trying to do any violent cornering. Yet at every corner I closed up and on every straight I fell behind.

The explanation was that the police driver was a poor judge of cornering speeds and courses. At almost every roundabout he took a very slow and indecisive course, and either entered the turn much too fast and had to brake hard in the turn, or else entered the turn much too slowly. It occurred to me then that, if that police car had been following a speed-limit offender, it would have easily been possible for it to do 75 miles an hour and yet to have difficulty

in catching a car doing the steady 55-60 m.p.h. I was doing. Now, we have all read of police cars which had to go at 70 miles an hour and more in their attempts to catch a criminal. Most of us, without considering the problem, have inferred that the criminal must also have been doing 70 m.p.h. or more. No doubt the magistrates have inferred the same thing. Perhaps they are meant to infer it. Yet the inference may be unwarranted. If the police driver is a poor judge of speed and distance, he may lose on the corners and have to accelerate on the straights to speeds substantially in excess of that of the pursued car before he can catch it. His speed will give no indication of the speed of the pursued car. So let us please have rather fewer loose and misleading statements from police officers in the witness-box. Let us hear no more of mythical margins of six miles an hour in speed-limit cases, or of maximum speeds attained by police cars in a chase.

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WELL KNOWN IN LONDON

Captain Jefferson Cohn with Miss Jeanne Stuart, the beautiful young actress, and Miss Anne Atherton, an-other stage lovely, just before they all just before they all lunched at Claridges in Ascot week. Captain Jefferson Cohn, who is well known in the racing world in France, afterwards went

down to Ascot to stay with Sir Hugo Cunliffe-Owen



AT THE BUILTH WELLS HOSPITAL FÊTE

After Lady Barstow had opened this fête, by which the hospital benefited to the tune of £250, the Hon. Averil Vivian, Lord Swansea's benefited to the tune of \$2.50, the Hon. Averil Vivan, Lord Swanseas seven - year-old youngest sister, presented her with a bouquet, whilst her mother, Lady Swansea (centre back in white hat), looked on with an approving smile. The main object of the fête was to wipe off the debt remaining on the Lord Swansea Memorial new wing at the Builth Wells Hospital

This England...



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INEXPECTED indeed are the sidelights the very new may cast upon the very old. To take wings over this England is to remark one curious thing above most others. The dear haphazard look of our countryside falls away, and field and farm, spinney and pasture, take on an ordered look. Evidence of plan is everywhere, in ancient boundary and thick-set hedge. Straight lines they could drive, those older men, and plant their perfect rectangles over ridge and hollow, with never an instrument to help. Slowly they worked, perforce, but what a heritage they left! And for strength in labour and clarity of eye and mind, they brewed them that great solace men call Worthington today.



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Watch that Match.

At this time of intensive touring it is worth remembering that it is illegal to drive or park a car on common land or other land more than fifteen yards from the roadway. The only exemptions are those cases where the car is being driven over the ground to save life or to prevent an outbreak of fire, or in some other emergency. When local by-laws prohibit parking altogether—and there are few things local authorities enjoy more than prohibiting parking—notices are usually displayed. For picnic meals this right to drive for fifteen yards on to the land beside the road is valuable; but those who do so at this time of year should keep constantly in mind the need to avoid flinging down matches or lighted cigarettes.

Cigarette smoking becomes so much of a habit that some people cannot tell off-hand whether they have a cigarette in their mouth or not; the cigarette becomes like the professor's spectacles. Cigarettes

are lighted and the match. flung down as a habitual action, without thought. But there are many places where such action may start a bad fire which will destroy much wooded country of the kind motorists above all people enjoy and appreciate. So watch that match. Watch that cigarette end. Remember the risks of fire.

Pieces and Places.

Two books have come my way, both of them worthy of a mention because they are both of practical use to motoring people. The first is "The Roadreader," a road map in book form arranged on the Berquist easy reference system. The problem of arranging maps in a book is always difficult, but "The Roadreader" solves it neatly, and the marking of the Ministry of Transport numbers on all roads is a help.

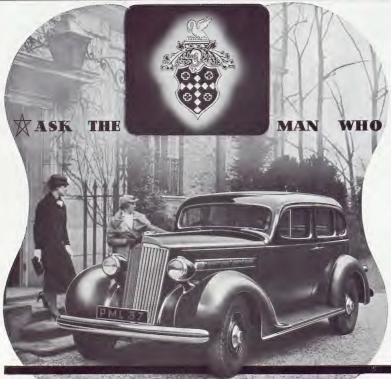
The second book, surprisingly enough, is an abridged parts price list for the Vauxhall Light Six and Big Six; not the sort of subject one would expect to have the smallest interest to anybody other than those who happen to be having their cars overhauled. Actually, however, this little book is entertaining as well as informative. The parts are shown with their prices, and an instance of the way instruction is given is the photograph of the exhaust and inlet valves, shown close to one another. The picture is headed: What is the difference? and to the eye there is no difference. But the text points out that the two valves are made of entirely different materials because of the different work they have to do, and so underlines the importance of always ensuring that the correct part, as listed by the maker, is used. Altogether this is the brightest spare parts list I have seen. go on in this way we shall soon have body dimensions and horse power ratings turned into snappy reading matter!



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Garage. L. F. Dyer's Metropolis Garage (Chairman, Eddie Hall, of Bentley and other fame) at Olympia is now open day and night and is an interesting example of advanced garage design. There is accommodation for 1,200 cars, the six storeys being arranged on the stepped half-floor plan, so that there are eleven parking floors in all. Each of them is 100 yards long. Although the site area on which the garage stands is only some 14,000 square feet, or about a third of an acre, the total area available for cars exceeds four acres: Two internal spiral roadways enable cars to make their exits and their entrances and there are two express passenger lifts.



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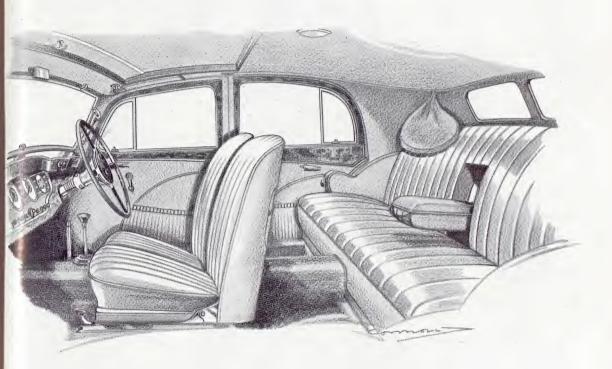
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Air Eddies

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the Fairey Battle; the Bristol Blenheim; the Handley-Page Harrow; the Armstrong-Whitworth Whitley and the Vickers Wellesley.

Now I am not going to describe all these machines; but I am going to pick out one of them and talk a little about that because I be lieve that it is fundamentally the soundest war aeroplane that has been produced since 1918. It is the Fairey Battle. Through the courtesy of Mr. C. R. Fairey and Major T. M. Barlow I have been given the opportunity of making a full and detailed inspection of the new Fairey works at Stockport, where the Battle is now in series production for the Royal Air Force. And this is the point I want to emphasise about this machine: that, for a given expenditure in man-hours, it could do more towards winning a war than any other existing type. There is one bomber and there are two or three fighters that can fly faster; but, to the best of my belief, there are no other aeroplanes which strike so well-judged a mean between all the qualities needed in the war machine. The Battle carries a big load, and it has a top speed of 414 kilometres an hour (about 257 miles an hour) at a height of 4,572 metres (15,000ft.), according to the Martlesham figures

Fairey Factory.

It is a single-engined aeroplane; it is enormously manœuvrable; it carries a crew of two; it is easy to fly, and-over and above everything else -it can be poured out in big quantities from properly equipped factories. Now, to my mind, those are the essentials of a win-the-war machine. It may be nice for the pilot to have two engines; but it is appallingly wasteful in man-hours, which are the wartime coin of the It may be pleasant to have an extra thirty kilometres an hour in speed, but there



MISS PHYLLIS KONSTAM, OLIVIA IN THE O.U.D.S. "TWELFTH NIGHT"

The Fellows' Garden at Exeter College, Oxford, is a perfect setting for an open-air production of Will Shakespeare's great old comedy, and as will be observed, an attractive Olivia was found to fit into such a frame

will never be enough speed in a bomber to out. distance a fighter, and so powers of manœuvre count more.

I have examined as closely as I can every one of the new machines ordered by the Air Ministry for the expanded Royal Air Force, and although I admire some of them as feats of design, would, if I were head of the Air Force, order only three types: the fastest fighters, the most practically useful day bombers, and the biggest load-carrying night bombers. I would insist that all subsidiary duties should be performed by machines exterpolated from these. And the biggest order would go to the practically useful day bombers. These machines are, without doubt, the Fairey Battles. The new Fairey P4 may be rather more advanced, but one has to give an order on a fixed date, and it is vain to expect that, after giving the order, progress will cease. The P4 is probably a better Battle but the Battle is now in flow production and the P4 is not. The Battle is a factory job.

And as for the Stockport factory itself, it is an astonishment. I walked for what they told me was 21 miles, but which my legs, with greater accuracy, informed me was at least three miles. and still I only saw a part of it. That Fairey factory is positively one of the finest in the whole country. I may not say how many Battles have been ordered, but I can say that I saw about a hundred machines actually going through.

The Norddeutscher Lloyd announced recently that they had engaged the services of the Belá Berkes orchestra, of Budapest, for the entertainment of passengers on the express Atlantic liner Europa. This proved such a marked success that the Norddeutscher Lloyd have decided to offer the same kind of entertainment to the passengers on their flagship Bremen, and have engaged the gipsy orchestra Belá Berkes, Jun., of Budapest.

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FASHIONS for the beach, sea and sun are noteworthy on account of their simplicity of line and gay colouring; above all, they are extremely practical. Harrods, Knightsbridge, have given these modes a salon to themselves; the importance of the roles they play cannot be overestimated. The models pictured have taken up their residence there. Novelties are constantly being added to this collection. The model at the top of the page on the left has a striped swim suit (35s. 6d.) and a coat lined with towelling (32s. 6d.) in many colour schemes. On the right of the group is a white sharkskin playsuit with coat to match. A coolie hat completes the scheme, and it is merely five shillings. The swim suit on the right below is a study in black and white; as will be seen, it is becoming to the figure, the cross-over line having a slimming effect. It is to be regretted that it was not possible to illustrate an outfit consisting of white linen shorts, with eyeshade, sun-top and bag. It seems almost unnecessary to add that worsted trousers are well represented, they are beautifully cut and creased

IN THE SWIM

THERE are also many beach accessories, including bags in fabrics on which the sea water has no deleterious effect; they are gay and decorative, and have sections for those hundred and one things that are needed for the care of the complexion. The sandals are unusual, with their cork and rubber soles, in crochet string linen and canvas; on some embroidery is introduced. Again, there are beach wraps for eighteen shillings and ninepence; having completed their primary destiny they may finish their careers as bath-coats. And now that the holidays are within measurable distance Harrods' luggage, which saves time, space and energy—indeed, it brings a new comfort to travel—must be considered. There are week-end cases in morocco grained Rexine for eighteen shillings; cruising cases in the same material fitted with trays, pockets and chromium-plated safety locks are two guineas. Too much cannot be said in favour of the travel bags and handags, as they wear well and are always distinctive



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It has been said, and with justice, that there is no more potent form of introduction than a flattering and becoming hat. Woodrow, Piccadilly, excel in models of this character; as a matter of fact, they interpret fashion's commands in an altogether charming manner. A trio of their creations is portrayed. It is natural panama that makes the shady hat at the top of the page; the crown is gartered with petersham ribbon, and although the brim is adjustable the cost is only two guineas. For a guinea one may become the possessor of the felt hat below it, the mount being three shillings and sixpence extra. It is of unspottable feather-weight fur felt in a variety of shades. At the base is a model known by the name of "The Brae"; it is of a new material in which woven straw and wool are combined, and costs twenty-nine shillings and sixpence in many lovely heather mixtures. It may be news to many that Woodrow's have left their old home at 46, Piccadilly, and have migrated to modern and considerably larger premises at 62, Piccadilly

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A Controlling Force.

The fashion for being as thin as a reed and perfectly straight up and down has completely died out, and natural rounded curves are rapidly returning with the somewhat romantic type of dress which now prevails. Slim, flowing skirts, however, demand slender hips and a firm figure. The latter is easily achieved by wearing a Kempat brassiere which, being cut on the cross, moulds itself to the natural form, and gives the necessary uplift. It is also very comfortable as the shoulder straps are attached in such a way as to ensure perfect control with complete freedom. These brassieres are sold practically everywhere from 2s. 11d. There are backless styles for day or evening, also special sports models which range from 3s. 11d. Kempat girdles are available from 5s. 11d.



A charming ensemble for cooler days is pictured above from Lilla, 7, Lower Grosvenor Place. It is carried out in soft Angora with a simple dress in turquoise blue piped with nigger braid. The loose-fitting coat has a self spot and is trimmed with dyed moleskin

THIS, THAT, AND THE OTHER

A Field of Summer Fashions.

Clothes are an everlasting source of interest to the feminine mind, particularly just now when the London season is in full swing, and constant social engagements make heavy demands upon a woman's wardrobe. Lilla, 7, Lower Grosvenor Place, are showing their summer collection, and will gladly send an illustrated catalogue gratis and post free to all who are interested. Beauty of line and fabric dis-tinguishes the models in these salons, which are all designed with grace and individuality. White and gold lamé over rustling taffeta makes a charming evening dress for formal occasions. It is cut on very slender lines with a draped corsage and a bunch of shaded purple flowers at the waist. Another model, suitable for a débutante, is expressed in ballet satin taffeta, tinted a delicate shade of coral. The full skirt flows smoothly over the hips, spreading gradually like a fan, while narrow epaulettes cover the shoulders and a spray of orchids softens the decolletage. A hand-worked smock in either plain or figured material is ideal for informal wear at home, and Lilla are showing them in figured "Duromayd" for 25s. 9d. They are extremely practical when arranging flowers, and always look nice. Hand smocking is also introduced in an afternoon dress of printed "Lillita"

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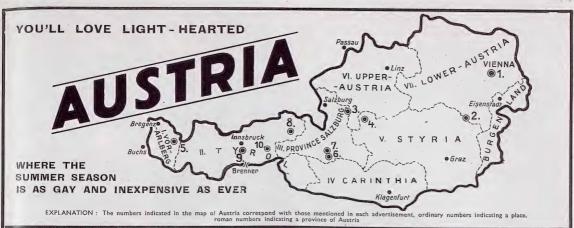
A lovely face means a good deal to a woman, but not nearly so much as a charming personality, and it often happens that people lack just that something which makes them interesting company. For thousands of years the use of fragrant scents has been a means of enhancing a woman's attractions, and this same custom still holds good to - day with F. Millot's Crêpe de Chine perfume. It is light, airy and gay, with an elusive fragrance which makes an instant appeal. A drop behind the ears and on the temples is sufficient for day use, while a little more is permissible at night. This delightful perfume is available in exotic square cut bottles for as little as 4s. 6d. for the "intro-ductory" size, while a small trial flacon will be sent gratis on application to F. Millot, Parfumeur, 11/12, Clifford Street, W.1

Talking of Eyes.

There is something very captivating about a woman with sparkling eyes which register every change of expression, and to preserve their beauty Adelaide Grey, of 27, Old Bond Street, has created her Laleek eye care treatment. The complete outfit for home use only costs 4s. 6d. and consists of a small bottle of Beauty Drops and another containing Beauty Oil. Two or three drops squeezed into each eye with the enclosed "dropper" night and morning, will clear away all dust and germs, while the oil should be painted on the lids and skin round the eyes. This, if allowed to remain all night, will prove a wonderful remedy for crepiness, while daily washing with drops is very soothing

Leisure Gowns for Leisure Hours.

eisured moments are few and far between, but a certain amount of rest is essential to every woman who wishes to retain her youth and beauty. An ideal time for relaxing is between tea and dinner. Never, however, sit about in a tailored suit, but change into a graceful tea gown or one of those delightful new "Leisure" gowns from Marshall and Snelgrove's, Oxford Street. They are really charming, and may be seen in the Tea and Individual Gown Salons on the first floor. Lovely material and graceful lines are their most striking characteristics, while they may also be worn for informal dinner at home or with friends. One model in pastel printed satin for 8½ guineas is designed with a short train and Empire waist. Another in a soft shade of rose crêpe mousse is cut on simple lines with flowing angel wings faced with grey shot chiffon. For a woman with dark colouring and a preference for vivid colours, there is a somewhat Oriental type of "Leisure" gown for 101 guineas in black façonné, sprayed with red lacquer dots. The same vivid colour is repeated in the satin revers and draped sleeves which are lined, while a short train lends added grace. Needless to say, there are styles to suit every age and figure, including the matron who so often has difficulty in dressing becomingly



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Pictures in the Fire-continued from p. 597

The Aldershot Show, whose dates this year are July 1, 2 and 3, holds out every promise of being as good as ever, and we can lay to it, as the sailors say, that it will be thundering well run, as it always is. In addition to the customary classes for horses and also hounds-and

in the former there is any amount of jumping, both for the soldiers and others, including the women and children—there will be excellent displays on each day to interest those who may not be as horsey as all that The Greys are doing a Musical Ride in full dress; the 16th/5th Lancers, of whom we have seen a good deal at the Royal Tournament, are doing a Trick Ride in Fancy Dress, and there is to be barebacked wrestling by teams of eight a side from the Greys and the 16th/5th Lancers. There is also an Empire Exhibition of products and resources of the Government Departments, Dominions, Colonies and Protectorates, and, as usual, massed bands will play in the show ground on each day. I expect we shall hear "The March of the Gladiators" just before the more dangerous jumping contests to in-fuse the customary "Morituri Te Salutant" atmosphere. In my G.R. days they invariably selected that tune for the moment just before I had to take on a more than usually rocky ride. An innovation in the open classes this year is the Continental Jumping Competition for children, probably the only one of its kind in the country. The event is for children under fifteen years of age and for ponies not exceeding 14.2 hands, and it promises almost as



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Colonel F. E. Laughton, M.C., T.D., with his children, Peter (left), Pam and Ronnie, in his garden overlooking Loch Ness, at Foyers. Colonel Laughton, a Substantive Colonel in the Territorial Army, served in the Great War with the Cameron Highlanders. Gardening is one of his hobbies, but he cannot spare as much time on it as he would like being concerned with the British Aluminium Works as well as a host of other interests. He is a son of the late Sir John Laughton

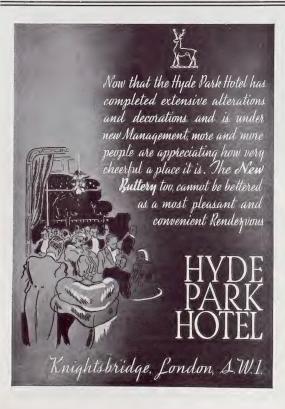
many thrills as the two other jumping competitions and the fascinating "Handy Horse" Competition. In these three events the jumps. which are of a very sporting character, ranging from 3ft. to 4ft. 6in. in height, are all arranged in full view of the onlookers in the central judging ring.

I am sure that everyone is going to have a thoroughly thrilling and amusing time, and I wish the execu-

tive the luck they deserve with that unmannerly hound, Jupiter Pluvius.

Mrs. Geoffrey Brooke, who is home her husband is what I see is nowadays called Major-General of Cavalry, is still keeping up her work for horses that are badly used in foreign lands, and maintains a lively interest in the veterinary hospital which she established in Cairo. This hospital works for not only the old derelicts who served in the war and then were left behind to live or die, as to them might seem best, and personally I am sure dying would have been far the better part, but for the general good amongst the horse population of Cairo. Mrs. Brooke writes me asking aid to buy a horse ambulance for this hospital, and in the course of her appeal says:—
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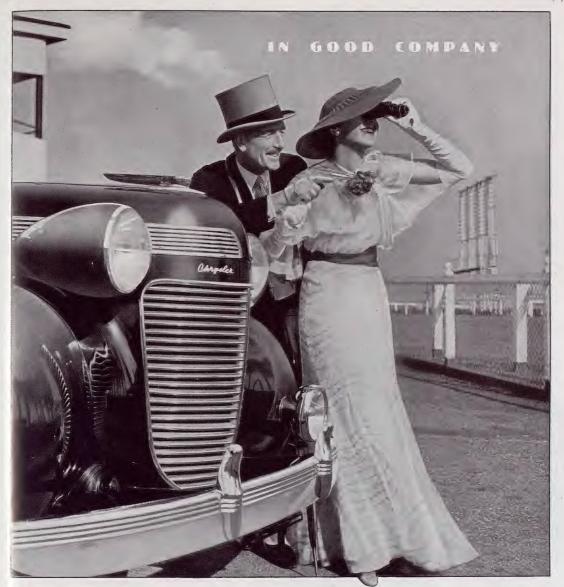
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He turned out the light. At the same instant Lawson began to count, his voice oddly loud in the dark silence.

"One—two—three—four—five

The numbers dropped slowly into the stillness as the seconds passed. "Twenty-one—twenty-two

And then there came another sound, a bubbling, gurgling noise.

Twenty-three . . .

Lawson's voice quavered uncertainly. "What's that?" he cried sharply. "Fagg! Spray! There's something . . . Switch on, quick!" Light flooded the room. "Good God!!"

Beeding had slumped forward over the table, the handle of a knife plunged to the hilt protruding from his back.

"How else could it have happened?" Spray was saying to the detective-sergeant. "Of course he denies it. But that doesn't alter facts. I'll admit he had provocation, and you know how hot-tempered these Latins are. Beeding behaved like a swine—he often does—did. But I never dreamed of anything like this happening, or I would never have arranged such a test. Sabino must have been beside himself with rage. There's no other explanation. Whether he stabbed him or threw the knife I don't know. But I've seen him hit a card pip from the other side of the stage. And if he used a handkerchief there'd be no finger-prints. All he'd got to do was to walk round quickly to the wall, step up on that cushioned chair-no need to make a soundgrab the knife, throw or stab, and be round in his place again in a few seconds. Any normally able-bodied man could do it in the time."

The detective-sergeant nodded to his subordinate, who went out, to reappear a moment later with the Spaniard.

The latter was now notably self-possessed.

"Has Señor Spray finished making the rope for my neck?" he

"I have done my duty as a citizen, Mr. Sabino," said Spray stiffly.
"I had to say what I think. I only blame myself for being the indirect cause of this-this ghastly affair.

"Indirect, Señor?

Spray flared up. "What the devil do you mean? Are you insinuating . . .?

The sergeant intervened. "Look here, Mr. Sabino," he said. "You deny all complicity in Mr. Beeding's death. I'm bound to tell you that a statement so entirely unsupported . . .

"My statement is no more unsupported than Señor Spray's," Sabino rejoined. "I know that I did not kill Mr. Beeding. Oh, there is a motive, perhaps. Provocation. And the means? A knife-thrower surrounded by instruments of his trade. And who brings me to this armoury? Who arranges the bet? Who knows that Señor Beeding's manners are bound to bring about a quarrel? Who stops me when I try to go? Who arranges a final test. Who puts out the light? Each time it is Señor Spray. Señor Spray has been very active, and yet it is Sabino who does the murder!

"Are you daring to suggest . . . " broke in Spray angrily, "that I arranged the whole thing so that Lawson, or Fagg, or I, could kill

Beeding, and incriminate you? "

"Lawson had nothing to do with it," said Sabino calmly. "Unless he were a ventriloquist his voice would have betrayed his movements. Nor did Señor Fagg."

"How do you know?" asked the sergeant.
"Haven't you noticed? The good Señor's shoes creak with every step he takes. Annoying in general, but decidedly lucky for him in this case. That leaves . . . " He shrugged his shoulders. "Enough of this rubbish," Spray burst out angrily. "Quite apart

from anything else, what motive could I have?

"As to that, Señor, I can only guess. It is possible that other bets or little business transactions with Mr. Beeding were less successful. I do not think he would be a patient creditor. He might have begun to be a trifle—er—difficult."

Spray turned to the sergeant. "Are you going to take this fellow's word against mine?" he demanded. "He's just trying to brazen it out. It was either that or cut and run."

Sabino smiled. "And that," he said, "I could not do, for the same reason that makes it impossible for me to have killed Señor Beeding in a few seconds. The knife was nearer to Señor Spray than me, remember."

Spray passed his tongue over his lips. "What reason?" he asked hoarsely.

"Whoever killed Señor Beeding," answered Sabino quietly, "must have been able to move quickly and silently. For such a man it would have been easy. But for me it was impossible. There was one thing about me, Señor Spray, that you did not know-look.

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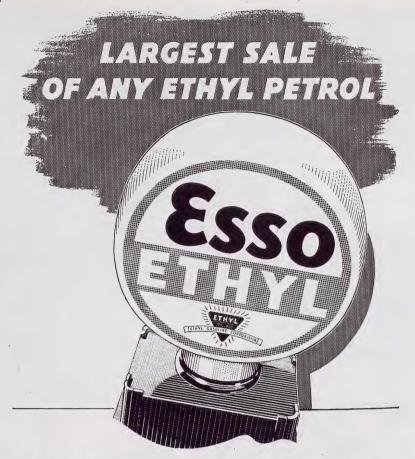
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kins and Marquesita, three each. Stillington Michel won the Coronation Stakes at Maidenhead, and his children are doing well. Mrs. Murray Wilson keeps he dogs entirely as a hobby; she will not sell to go abroad, thereby doing great good to the Poodle fancy in this country.

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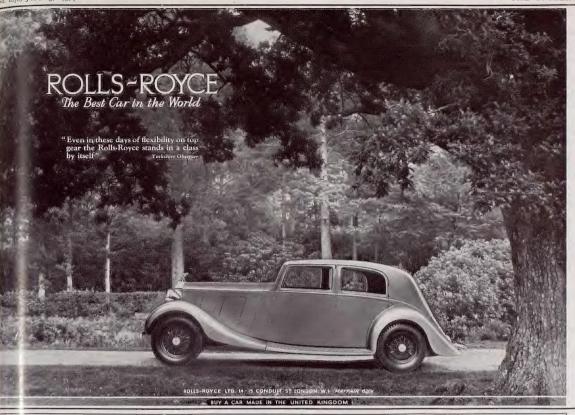
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avoid that fifty yards of asphalt, as you would avoid the stage door of a theatre on a first might, unless you happen to be an autographee yoursell, and even then your pride in your own tennis importance may suner a sad blow, as witness what happened to Phylis Konstam, Bunny Austin's wife, who tells this story against herself with that delightful sense of humour that is so endearing a part of her make-up. On one occasion two schoolgirls asked her for her signature, and as she was walking away afterwards, flattered by their attention, she heard one remark to the other: "Phyllis Konstam . . . never heard of her. . . I thought it was Jessie Matthews. . ""Never mind," replied her dear intile triend, consolingly, "you can tear the page out."
Which, doubtless in due course, she did. And that, in turn, reminds me of another such story of which the hero is that admirable young actor, Mr. Colm Keith Johnson, who is a tremendous tennis fan and never misses a day at Wimbledon if he hasn't a matiaée. On one occasion, when he was acting with John Gielgud in Noah, he was leaving the theatre when two small boys approached him with outstretched albums. "I am sure you don't want my signature," said Mr. Keith Johnson, who is that sort of young man. "Oh, yes we do, mister." "But I don't believe you even know who I am," still persisted the actor. "Course we know. Yer John Gilbert." This incident, I need hardly add, took place some words of the the film stay's dor'th. add, took place some months after the film star's death.

All the same, where Wimbledon is concerned it is no easy matter for autograph hunters trying to track down new stars, like Frankie Parker, whose first Wimbledon this is, and who, like the Campbells, has been such a long time coming, that I, for one, was quite surprised when I saw him in the flesh at Queen's Club. His prowess, of course, has preceded him across the pond, and we all know by now that he was national junior champion at an early age and defeated George Lott when he was still sixteen, and since then has defeated practically every player in the States before he recently celebrated his twentyfirst birthday, but what we don't know yet is how he will fare when he comes up against the pick of European talent, especially as he is largely lacking in the weapons that in the past we have come to associate with American tennis, namely, a cannon-ball service and a passionate determination to play every rally from the net. Parker, on the contrary, like his compatriot, Bitsy Grant-another exception to the rule-is largely a defensive player, waging wars of attrition, rarely leaving his base, guilefully offering the soft answer that induceth rashness and, thereafter, wrath. All the same, I should not be surprised if before the first week of Wimbledon is over he has got some new and juicy scalps hanging at his waist. And Yamagishi, too, who must have given our selectors a pain in the neck by his victory on the post at Beckenham over Tuckey, is another player who may easily prevent one of the seeded stars from reaching the last eight. Last year, for the first time, I believe, since seeding came into force, all eight players in the men's singles came through safely. Without appearing a croaker, I shall be extremely surprised it that muscle happens again.

And who is going to win? Who knows . . . I certainly don't I would have backed Madame Sperling for the women's singles if it hadn't been for Senorita Lizana's convincing victory over her in the final of the West of England championships. No victory, incidentally has given me so much pleasure for a long time. Such triumphs of style over industry are only too rare, not only on the tennis court But, of course, the truth is our visitor from Chile has, little by little become imbued with that middle-class persistence, that phlegmatic maddening, steam-roller buoyancy that cannot be depressed by general strikes or income-tax demands or even our climate, which is so characteristic a national trait. After two years in our country she, too, is able to stand up to the gloomy tactics of a stone-waller like Madame Sperling, and not allow her native genius to be quenched, her ardour The defensive improvement in the Senorita's play this year is nothing short of remarkable. I have already written about it at length, and her victory at Bristol is the final proof that she is a very very much more formidable proposition than she was this time last year. I can think of no woman player in the world to-day better equipped for the ordeal of trying to win the championship. May fortune favour her. If no Englishwoman can win-and I see no possibility of that happening-I should be frankly delighted if the title

went to Chile for a change. Changes are for the good of the game. And it is for that reason that I am so sorry Mrs. Heime Miller never comes to Wimbledon these days. A few weeks ago she carried off the championships of South Africa at Johannesburg and, by all accounts, was playing as well as ever, as well, that is to say, as in the days when, as Miss Bobbie Heine, she came to Wimbledon and delighted the galleries by the magnificent fight she put up against Helen Wills-Moody. It is sad, indeed, that this lovely, fair-faced and fair-minded player may never be seen again in this country. For those who, like myself, watched her career the summer she was over and won many of our principal tournaments, will always long for another glimpse of her tall, slim figure and her effortless, joyful strokes.



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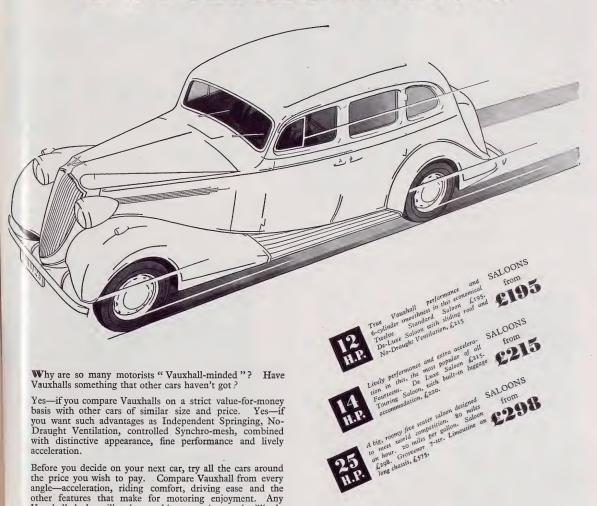


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at Tidworth. I did not personally see it, and am dependent on an "Eye-Witness." He says that he thinks the 12th would have won on a fast ground such as Hurlingham is when dry. He also says that the 10th are absolutely imperturbable and never lost their form ; but that they badly wanted that goal that was awarded them when the 12th crossed the line before the ball had been hit in a 40-yard penalty. My "Eye-Witness" thinks the 10th were fortunate, but he also says that they are a real good side and that they have a first-class skipper in Major Gairdner, their No. 3. I think many of us had already gathered that much some time ago. I read it, therefore, that, if we put the Tidworth match into "nautical" terms, the 10th were the better watermen on that day.

This team arrived last year from India with some very good form behind it, as it had won the Indian Inter-Regimental in 1933 and 1936, and was the only British cavalry regiment able to stand up to the almost overwhelming onslaught of the Indian cavalry of recent years: 15th Lancers, 11th P.A.V.O., Central India Horse, etc.—all very hot. The 10th's record in Inter-Regimental polo ranks second only to that of the 17th and 17th/21st Lancers. They first won in India in 1881 and 1882—long before my time, but later, whilst I was in India, came that marvellous series from 1907 to 1912, six bang off the reel. The only time when they had a narrow squeak was in 1911, on March 6, at Meerut, and it was an infantry regiment, the 2nd Rifle



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Brigade, that nearly beat them. It was In the fifth, an unforgettable battle. sixth, seventh and eighth chukkers they were dead level, and it was only after extra time and widening the goals that they got a decision, the 10th winning 6 to 5. The 10th team at that time was composed of all subalterns: the Hon. Pick Annesley (killed in the war), Mr. W. O. Gibbs, Mr. E. W. E. Palmes, and Mr. W. L. Palmer, whose regimental sobriquet was "Pedlar." Of the Rifle Brigade team only Colonel (then Mr.) Archie Tod survives. Captain Jacko Harrison was killed in the war, Sparrow Scott died on active service, and "The Admiral' (H. G. M. Railston) died a few years ago. The 10th Hussars team throughout those six years was practically the same, and Major-General John Vaughan played in three of the sides, and is still very much to the fore, as I think, and hope, are the other two survivors of the war. So far as the 10th Hussars' English record in the Inter-Regimental goes, they have only won it twice-so far-namely, in 1888 and in 1893, and on both these occasions the other finalists were the 9th Lancers, who were then bang at the top of their form. Of the 1893 team Lord George Scott and General Sir C. T. Kavanagh are still to the fore. It is a great record.

It is probable that something will happen after these notes have had to leave me and that some things I have written will be stultified. At the moment, however, I should not like to say that the Inter-Regimental is all over. There are our old friends The Bays, for instance, who seem to be coming up hand over fist.

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Broadley are being married on July 8 at St. Peter's, Eaton Square; and on the 24th, Lieu-tenant Terence Butler, R.N., marries Miss Hermione Williams at St. James's, Spanish Place.

Recently Engaged.

Mr. Hopton Hamilton, the younger son of Lieutenant-Colonel F. A. Hamilton, O.B.E., Deputy Lieutenant of Monmouth-shire, and Mrs. Hamilton, of High shire, and Mrs. Hamilton, of High Glanau, Monmouthshire, and Miss Viva Dolores Clark, the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Garnet Clark, of The Red Lodge, Tad-worth, Surrey; Mr. Eric Neville-Heaney, of The Jointure Cottage, Ditchling, Sussex, the only son of the late Mr. Richard and Mrs. Neville-Heaney, and Miss Helen Ditching, Sussex, the only son or the late Mr. Richard and Mrs. Neville-Heaney, and Miss Helen Margaret Lush, of 24. Berkeley Court, N.W., the elder daughter of the late Right Hon. Sir Mon-tague and Lady Lush; Mr. Eric H. Blandy, of Shanghai, the elder son of Lieut.-Colonel F. D. Blandy,



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In Bombay.

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Next Month.

On July 1, Captain Andrew Dun-lop, The Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, and Miss Shiela Mary Macdonald are being married very quietly at the Church of Our Lady of the Assumption, Warwick Street; on the next day (2nd), Mr. John Hibbert, of 12, Lower Sloane Street, marries Miss Shiela M. W. Cowan, of Rutherford, West Linton, Peeblesshire, at Holy Trinity. Represented. Trinity, Brompton; Mr. John Wyndham Malet, 10th Royal Hussars, and Miss June Harrison-



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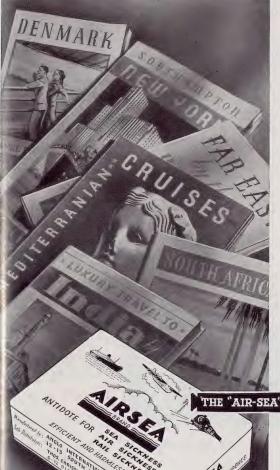
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Ida Lupino, Paramount film actress, has a day off, at her hilltop home, from her current picture, Artists and Models. This blonde British starlet, daughter of the one and only Stanley Lupino, is the last of a theatrical line who have been acting for 250 years

The Pageant of Hyde Park is to be in the held Cockpit, Hyde Park, on June 26, 1937, at 3 p.m. and 7 p.m., and deals with the times three hundred years ago when Charles I grant-ed Hyde Park to the people of England. Before that time it had been the Royal hunting ground. How grateful we should feel these beautiful summer days to House that gave us such a heritage, and still

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L ady Devonshire is the chairman of a ball which is to be given in aid of the People's Dispensary for Sick Animals, on July 7 at the Dorchester.

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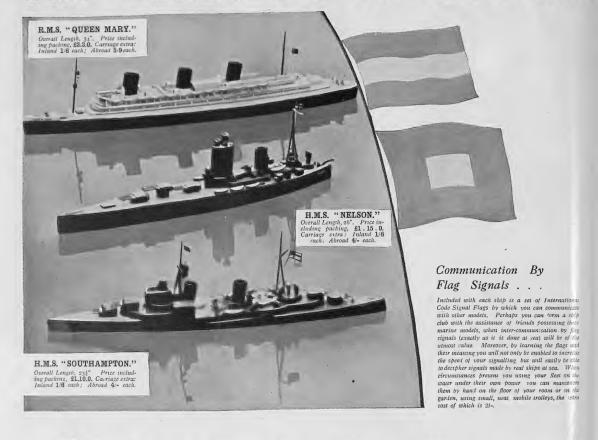
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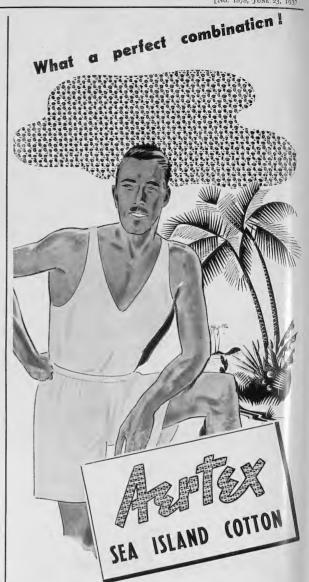
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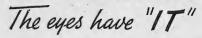
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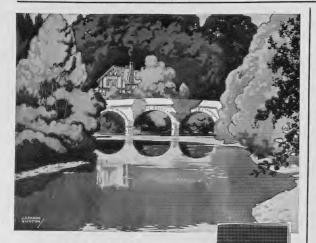
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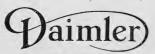
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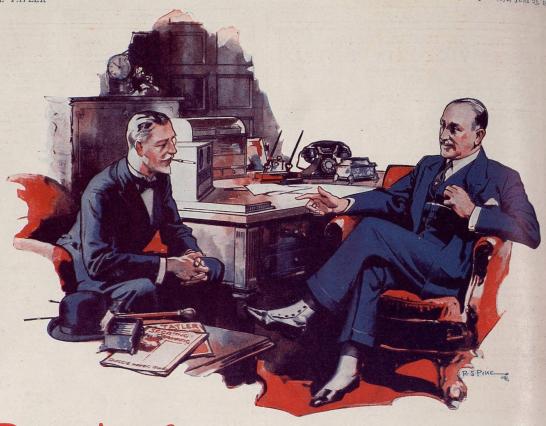
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Duggie: "Have you noticed that every now and then some horse wins a race which on previous form looks hopeless, not even backed for a penny by the stable?"

Sir Edward: "Of course I've noticed it. Often backed the second and couldn't believe it possible."

Duggie: "Against such horses the 'Tote' pays out fantastic odds, but probably, if you combed the country, you would only find a handful of people who benefited."

Sir Edward: "I understand that. I often wonder how anybody can back such horses; they must pick

them from the papers with a pin."

"Very likely. On the other hand, when a well-backed horse is returned at shorter odds than S.P. (which frequently happens) countless thousands of backers are affected."

Sir Edward * "I can't dispute that. How then are we to arrive at the respective merits of 'Tote' and Starting Prices?"

Duggie: "Only one way for a backer, Sir Edward. Let him divide his stakes, placing half at 'Tote' prices and half at S.P. and see which pays him the better."

Sir Edward: "Extremely fair and sporting, Duggie. And of course you still allow the 5% over 'Tote' odds for wins."

Duggie: "Certainly, Sir Edward, and don't forget 25% over 'Tote' odds for places."

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